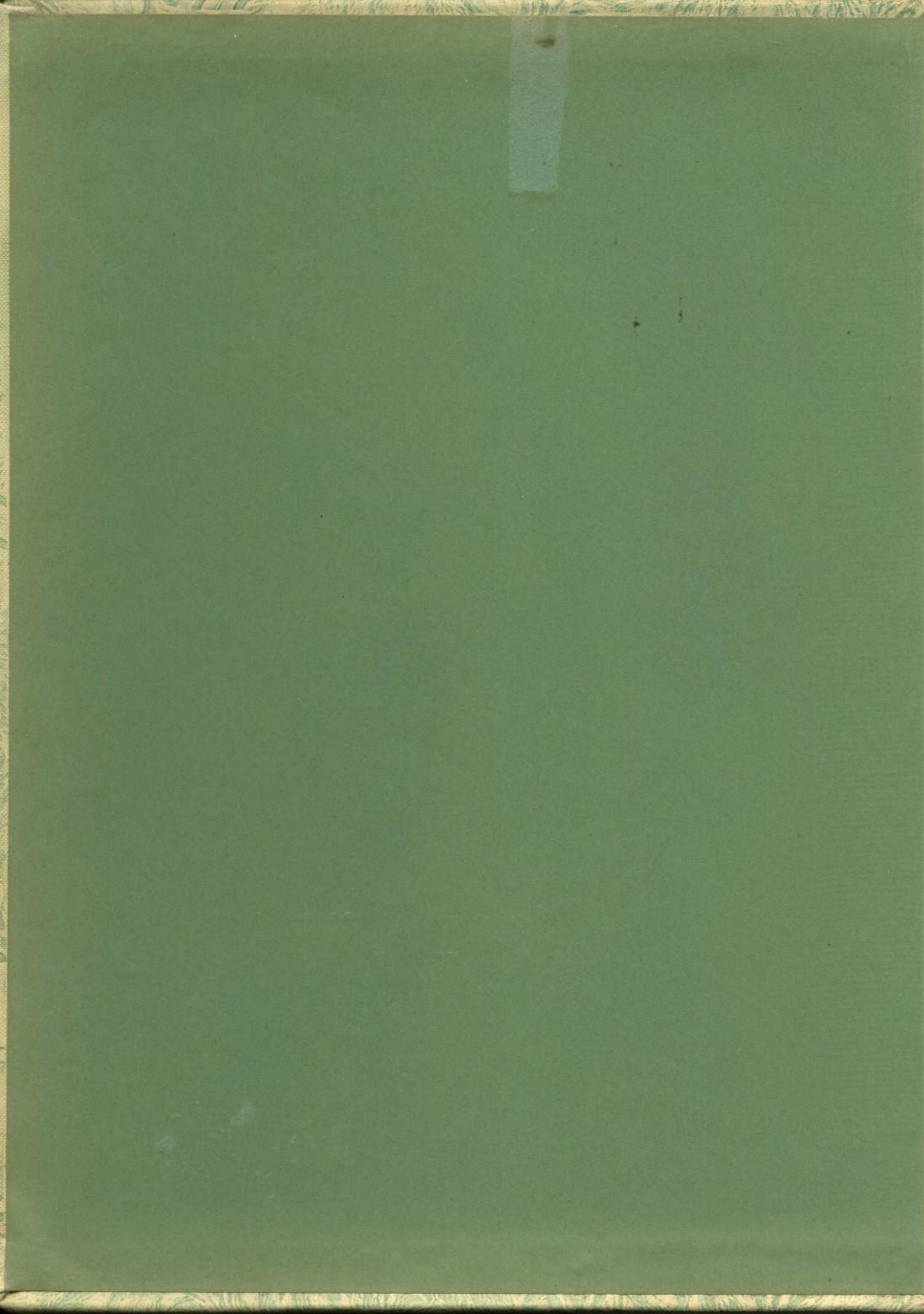


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THE PHOENIX







Presented By
THE SENIOR CLASS
OF
DENTON HIGH SCHOOL
Denton, North Carolina



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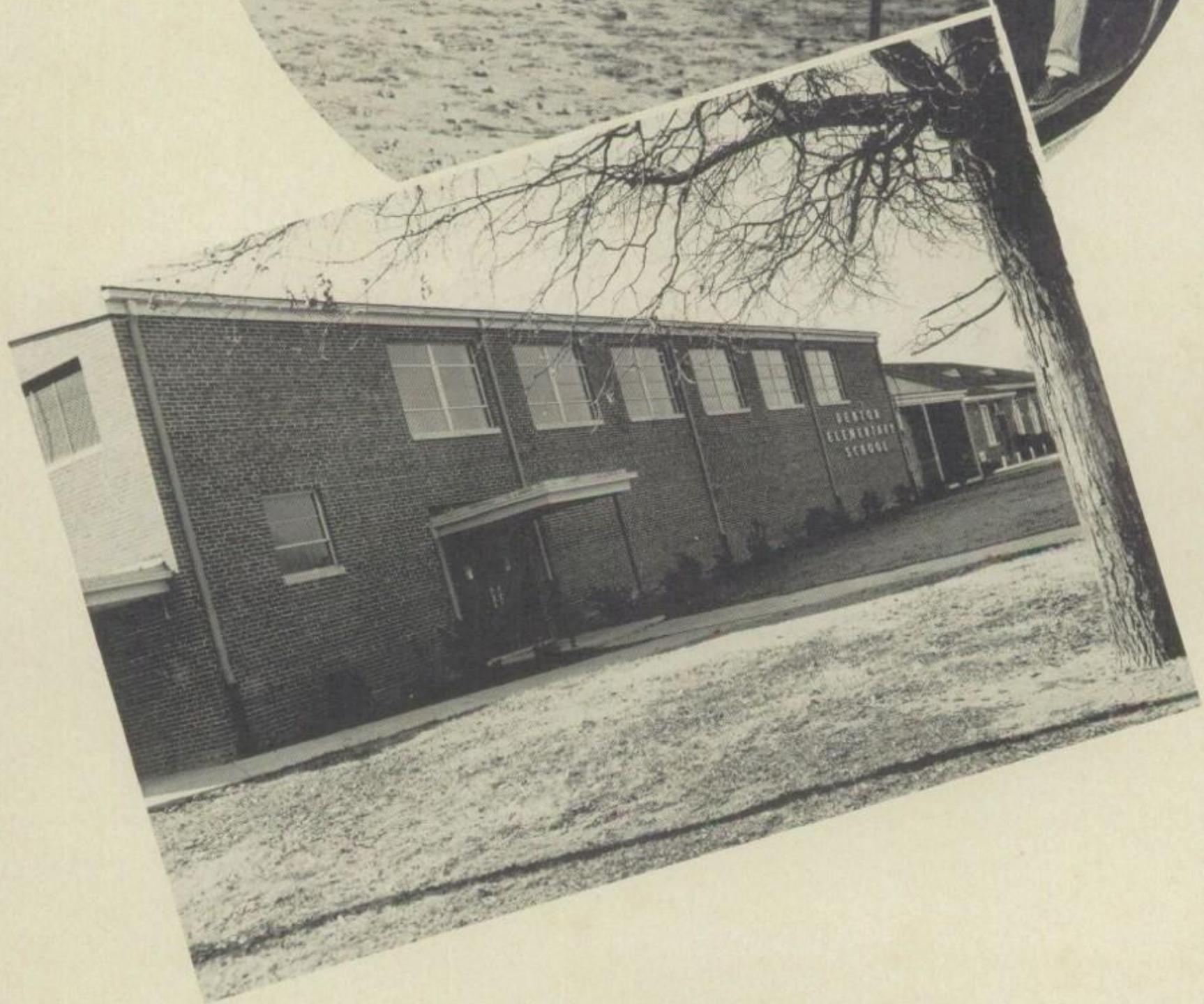
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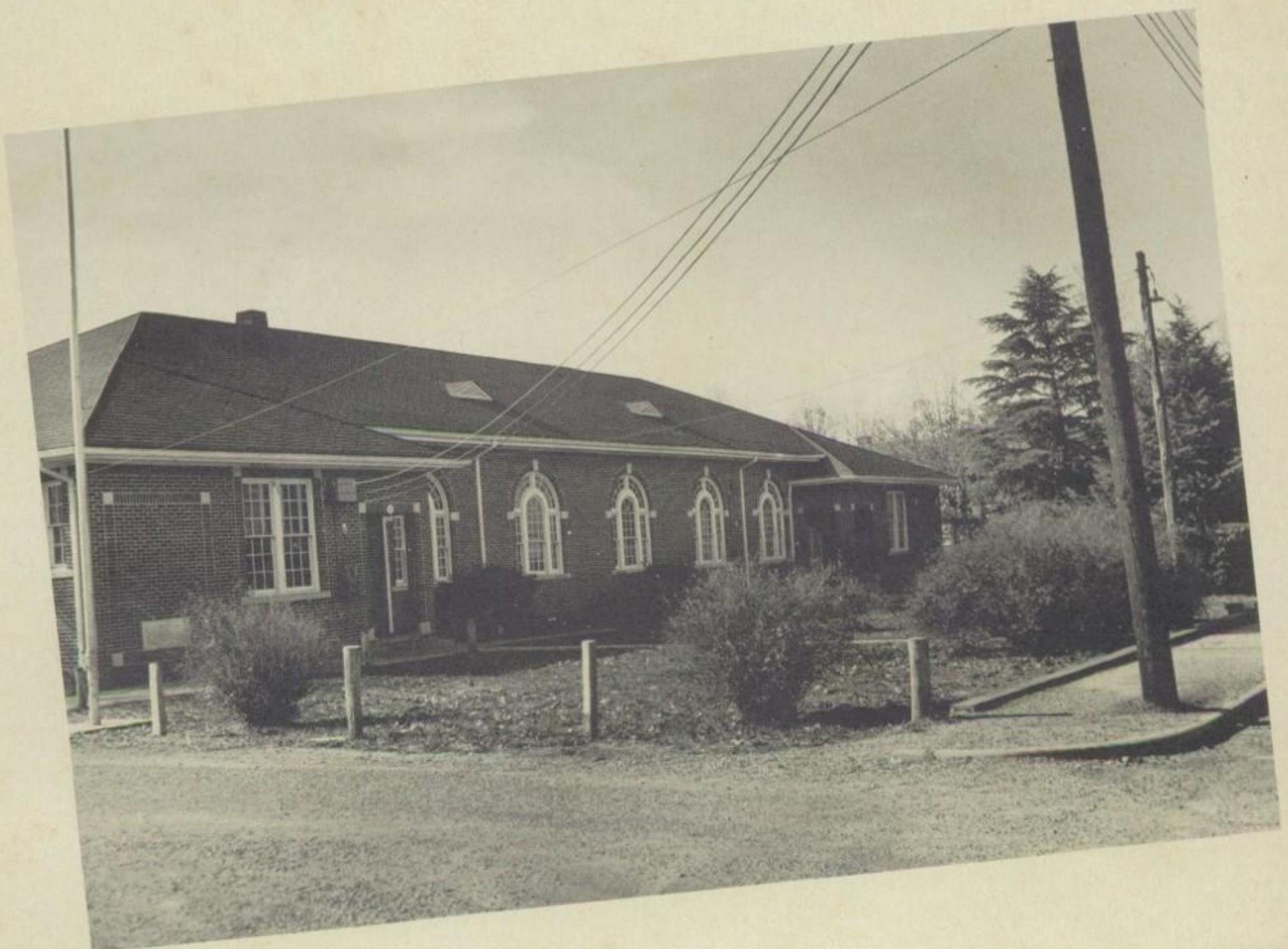
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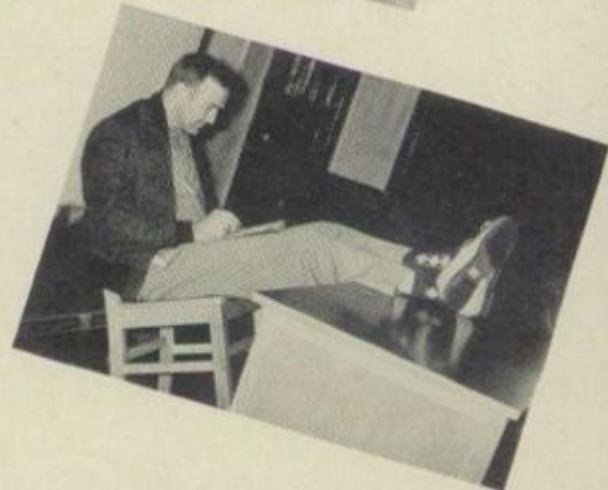
Here, on these two pages, are the centers around which our careers in Denton High have revolved. However, the buildings alone cannot convey the work, fun, and sorrows that go on within these walls. On the following pages, we have tried to give you only a silhouette of that which has meant so much to us.

We, the Senior class and annual staff, proudly present to you this - the 1956 Phoenix.

Dedication



To express our thanks for the interest he has shown in us as individuals and as a school; for the work he has done here; and the winning teams along with school spirit he has given us, we, the Senior Class of 1956 dedicate this, the Phoenix, to Mr. Warren Hicks, our beloved coach.

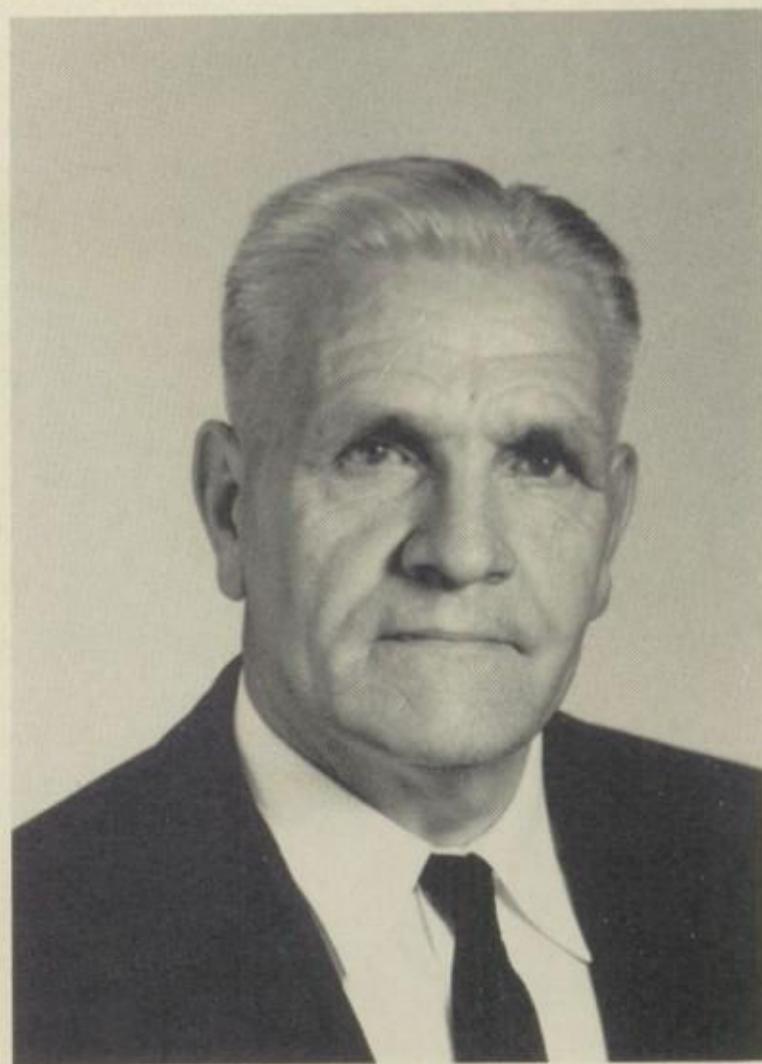




FACULTY

Elementary Faculty

Mrs. Arthur Lanier
Mrs. D. M. Sexton
Mrs. Forrest Haltom
Mrs. G. Lee Surratt
Mrs. M. Reid Doby
Mrs. Robert C. Carroll
Miss Betty Hinson
Miss Ann McCollum
Mrs. Fred Duckett
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Miss Genie Rogers
Miss Eliza Smith
Mrs. M. L. Klutz
Mrs. Lena Gallimore
Mrs. McCray Holmes
Mrs. I. Thomas Johnson



MR. V. O. JONES
Principal





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Rev. J. McCray Holmes
English

Mrs. Howard Snider
School Secretary

Mr. A. M. Snider
Social Studies



Mr. Archie Cannon
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Mrs. Jack Smith
English and French

Mr. Charles Sink
Science



Miss Hazel Hoover
Commercial Department

Mr. M. L. Kluttz
Vocational Agriculture

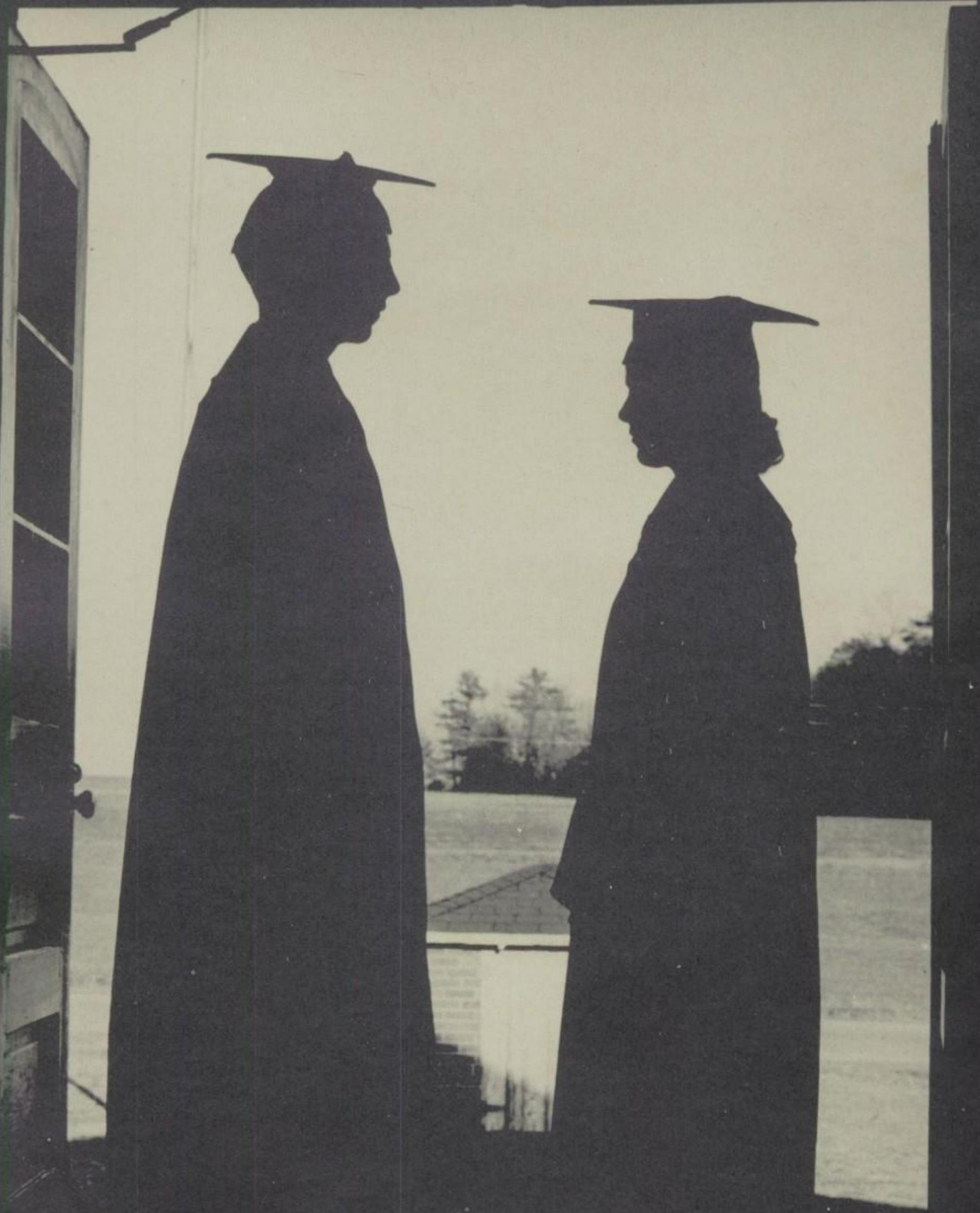
Miss Ann Mason
Home Economics



Mr. C. Robert Clark
Band

Mrs. Joe Taylor
Music

Mr. Warren Hicks
Coach



SENIORS



Class Officers

President
Larry Taylor

Vice-President
Graham Davis

Secretary
Sara Carroll

Treasurer
Imogene Walker

Mascots

AVA SMITH

WAYNE ELLIOTT



KAREN BEA ADAMS

"Smile your cares away."

F.H.A. 1,4; Glee Club 2,3,4;
Commercial Club 3,4.



NANCY LOU CARROLL

"It's better to forget and smile,
than to remember and be sad."

Band 1,2,3, (Officer 3); Science
Club 2; Glee Club 2; Dentonian
Staff 2,3,4; Class Play 3; Beta
Club 3,4, (Officer 3,4); Cheer-
leader 3,4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Soft-
ball 3,4; Marshall 3; Quill and
Scroll 4; Senior Scouts 1,2,3;
4-H 1; Phoenix Staff 4; Senior
Superlative 4; Class Prophet 4;
Monogram Club 4.



JOHN JOE CARROLL

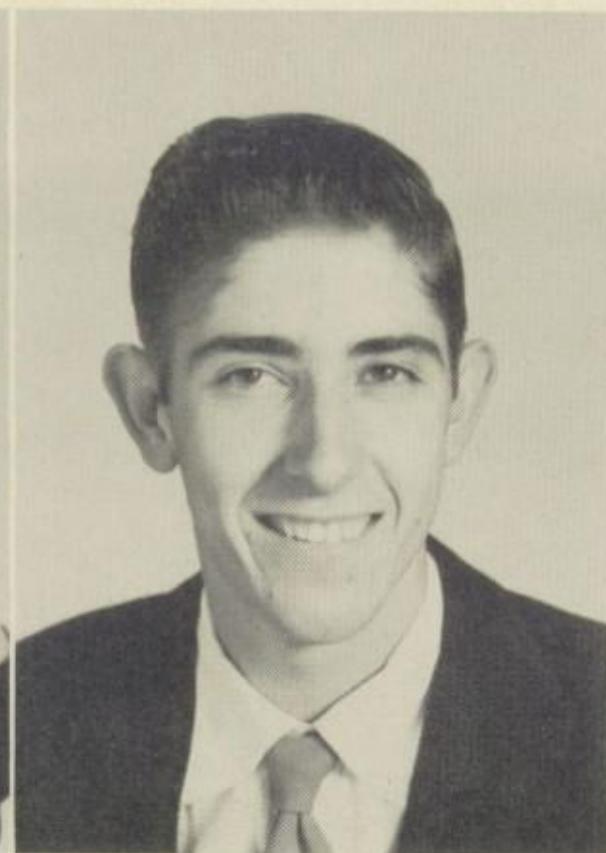
"Give me women."

F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; 4-H 1,2,4-
(Officer 4); Bus Driver 4; Com-
mercial Club 4; Football 1; Glee
Club 2.

SARA JANE CARROLL

"Of all the joys that I recall,
being in love is best of all."

Dentonian Staff 1,3,4; 4-H 1;
Senior Scouts 1,2; Class Officer
3,4; Class Play 3, F.H.A. 1,2,
3,4, (Officer 3-County Officer,
4); Band 2,3,4; Glee Club 2,
(Officer 2); Softball 3,4; Science
Club 2; Basketball 3,4, (Co-
Captain 4); Monogram Club 2,
3,4; Cheerleader 2; Phoenix
Staff 4; Senior Superlative 4;
Beta Club 4.



IRIS PEARL COOK

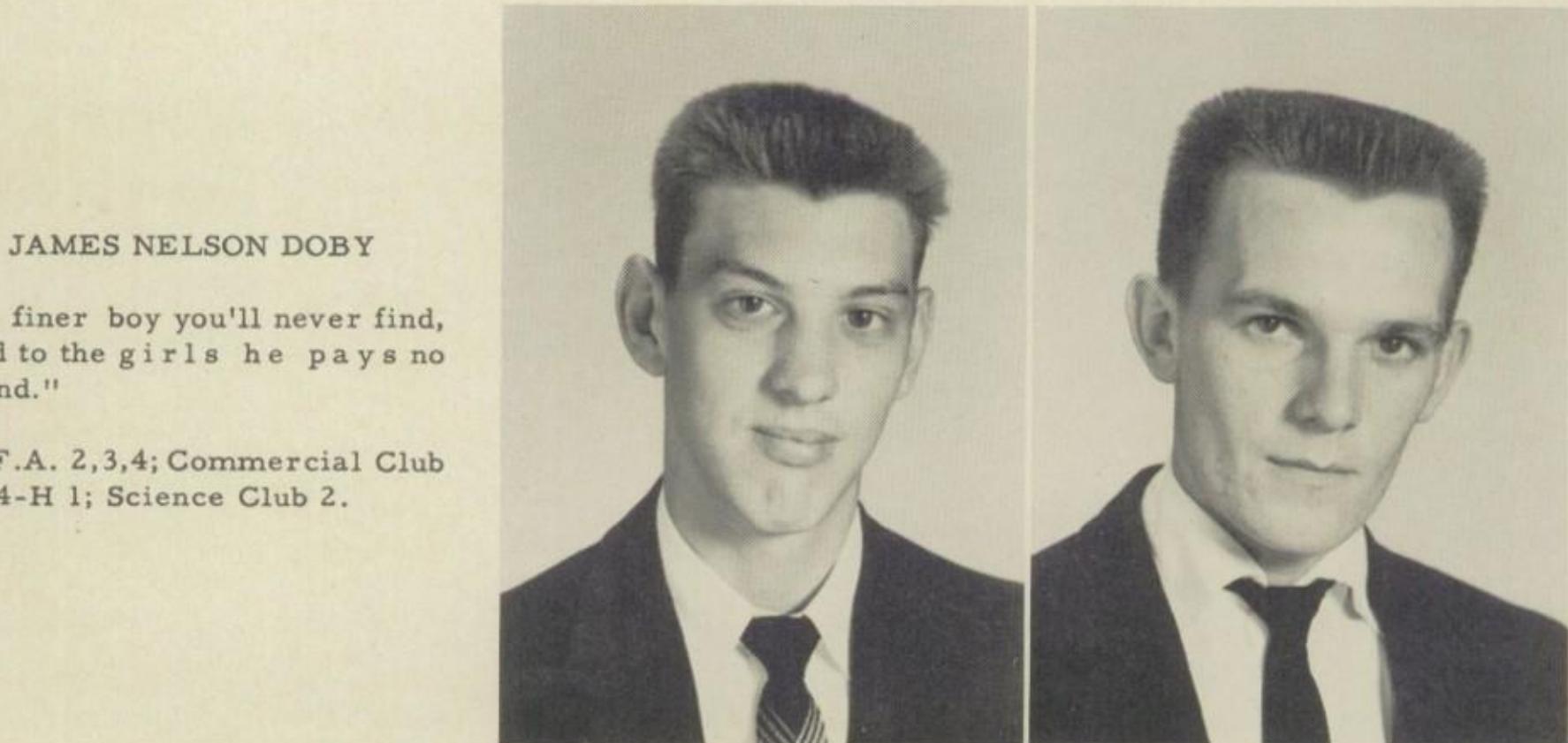
"Smart, capable, and always kind, if fact, she just can't be defined."

Class Officer 1; Glee Club 2,3; Science Club 2; Dentonian Staff 4; Phoenix Staff; Commercial Club 3,4; Class Poet 4; F.H.A. 1,2; Quill & Scroll 4; Beta Club 4; Superlative 4.

GILES GRAHAM DAVIS

"In his quietness lies his personality."

Bus Driver 3,4; Boys State 3; Science Club 2; Phoenix Staff 4; Commercial Club 3,4; Class Officer 4.



JAMES NELSON DOBY

"A finer boy you'll never find, and to the girls he pays no mind."

F.F.A. 2,3,4; Commercial Club 4; 4-H 1; Science Club 2.

JAMES BRUTON FUTRELL

"Some of the greatest men in America have died lately, and I don't feel too well."

Class Officer 1; Baseball 1,2,3, 4; Basketball 4; Monogram Club 3,4; Phoenix Staff 4; Commercial Club 3,4.

ROWLAND GARNER

"He was little, he was spry,
There was mischief in his eye."

4-H 1,2; F.F.A. 1,2; Class Officer 3; Science Club 2; Glee Club 2; Annual Staff 4; F.F.A. Officer 1; Commercial Club 3, 4; Waiter at Jr. & Sr. 2.



HENRY LEE GLOVER

"Not too serious, not too gay;
but a rare good fellow in every way."

F.F.A. 1,2,3; Science Club 2;
4-H 1; Commercial Club 3.

JERRY SHIELDS GRIFFIN

"Why talk? It seldom means anything, and it takes up a lot of time."

Science 2; Superlative 4.



NANCY CAROL GRUBB

"Sincere and kind in every way,
She's Carol tomorrow, and
Carol today."

Commercial Club 3,4; News-
paper 4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Glee
Club 2,4; Annual 4; Quill &
Scroll 4; Jr. Play Usher 3.



LINDA LOU HARRIS

"Good things and dynamite come in small packages."

4-H 1; Senior Scouts 1,2,3; Jr. Play 3; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Class Officer 1; Glee Club 2; Science Club 2; Cheerleader 2,3,4; Monogram 3,4; Commercial Club 3,4.



RACHEL LUCILLE HEDRICK

"A classmate, honest and true; and furthermore a worker too."

F.H.A. 1; Commercial Club 2, 3; 4-H 1.

JAMES SIDNEY LITTLE

"A handsome lad - and a born athlete."

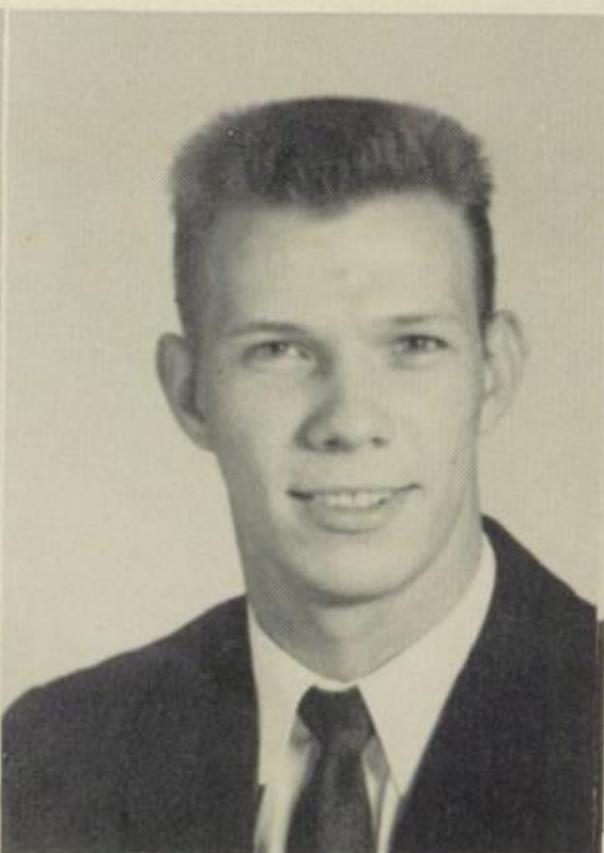
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JOHN WESLEY HUFFMAN

"I am the master of my fate, I am the captain of my soul."

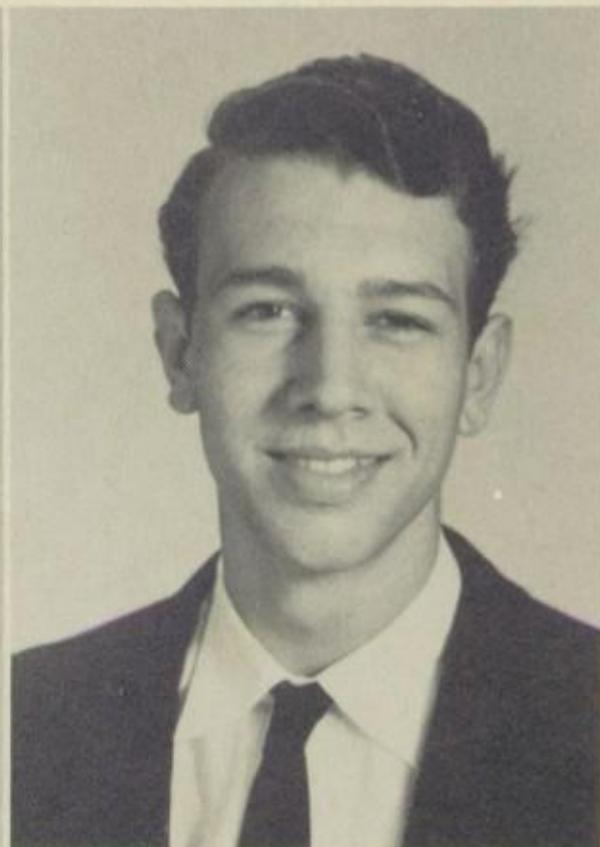
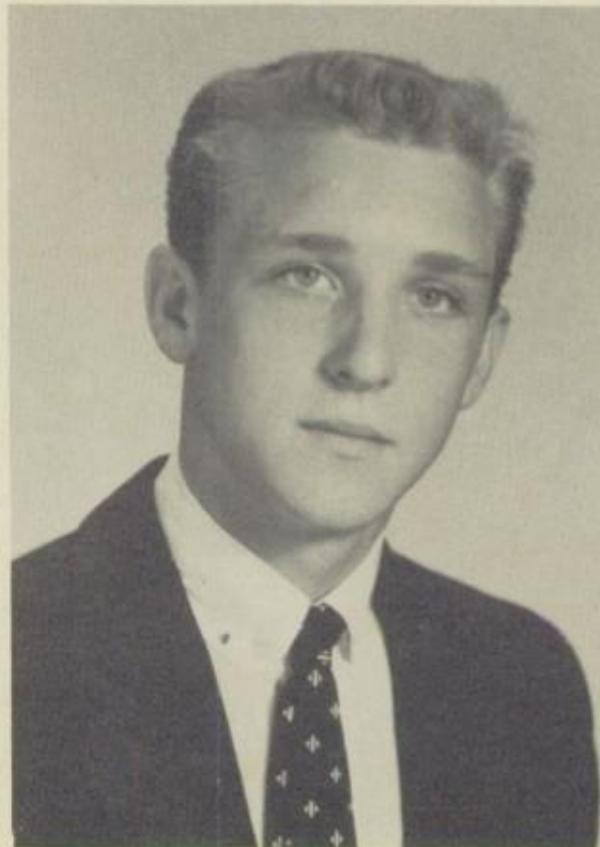
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DAVID ANTHONY PARKER

"A handsome combination of laziness and enthusiasm, sense and nonsense."

4-H 1,2; Junior Play 3; Baseball 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. 1,2; Bus Driver 4; Beta Club 3,4; Marshall 3; Science Club 2; Cheerleader 3; Monogram Club 3,4; Commercial Club 3; Football 2; Glee Club 2, Annual Staff 4.



RICHARD KENNETH SMITH

"I yam what I yam, and that's all I yam."

F.F.A. 1,2; Bus Driver 4; Commercial Club 3,4; Annual Staff 4; Newspaper Staff 4; Junior Play 3.

HELEN JANE SNIDER

"Success is sure to be for one so faithful as she."

Glee Club 2,4; Commercial Club 3,4; Beta Club 3,4; Junior Play 3; Superlative 4; Newspaper Staff 4; Marshall 3; Annual Staff 4; Quill & Scroll 4.



JOHNNY ALLEN SNIDER

"He is very ambitious and strives for the grades, He is seeking a glory that never fades."

Newspaper Staff 3,4; Annual Staff 4; Commercial Club 3,4; F.F.A. Club 1; Junior Play Usher 3; Science Club 2; 4-H 1,2.



GOLDIA RUTH SPIVEY

"Not too serious, not too gay,
but a jolly good gal in most every
way."

F.H.A. 1,2; Glee Club 2; News-
paper Staff 4; Student Store 3,4;
Commercial Club 3,4; Quill and
Scroll 4.

CHARLES RICHARD STALEY

"Jolly and good natured, one
who can take the bumps of life
without faltering."

Commercial Club 3,4; Baseball
2.

MARY LINDA STOKES

"Take it from us Linda's all
right, wherever she is both day
and night."

Newspaper Staff 2; 4-H 1,2,3,
(Officer 1,2); Senior Scouts 2;
Girl Scouts 1; Class Officer 1,
2; Jr. Play 3; Miss Denton 3;
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 2,4;
Softball 3,4; Science Club 2,
(Officer 2); Cheerleader 1,2;
Basketball 3,4, (Captain 4);
Monogram 2,3,4, (Officer 4);
Girls State 3; Class Historian
4; Beta Club 4.

MARGARET CAROLYN SURRETT

"Good worker, good sport, good
friend."

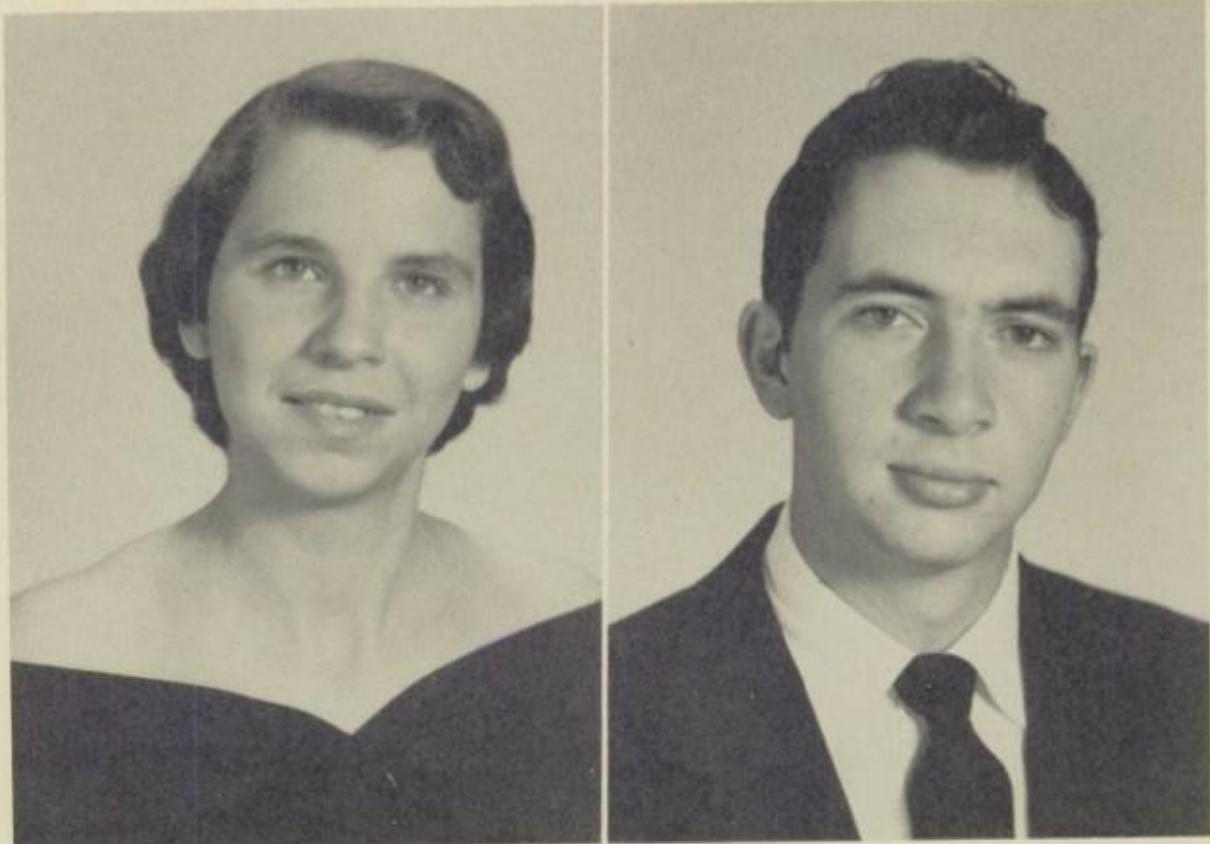
Class Officer 1,2,3; Girl Scouts
1; Senior Scouts 2,3; F.H.A. 1,2;
3,4, (Officer 1,2,3); Cheerleader
1,4; (Alternate 2); Dentonian
Staff 1,2,3; Monogram Club 2,
3,4; Science Club 2; Glee Club
1,2,3,4; Softball Club 3,4; Jr.
Play 3; Annual Staff 4; Com-
mercial Club 3; Class Testa-
tor 4; Superlative 4, Beta Club
4.



MARY ELIZABETH SURRETT

"She's willing to help in her good natured way, dependable always, with not much to say."

F.H.A. 1,4; Glee Club 2,3,4;
Class Officer 1; Junior Play
Usher 3.



LARRY JOE TAYLOR

"It's better to kill time than to let it lay around and die."

Dentonian Staff 4; Class Officer 1,4; Junior Play 3; F.F.A. 1,2, 3,4, (Officer 2,3,4 - County Officer 4); Football 1,2; Glee Club 2,4; Bus Driver 3, 4; Science Club 2; Monogram Club 2; Commercial Club 3; Annual Staff 4; Beta Club 3,4; (Officer 3,4); Marshall 3; Superlative 4.

NANCY ANN TILLOTSON

"Wit is the spice of life."

Superlative 4; Dentonian Staff 1,4; Phoenix Staff 4; F.H.A. 1, 2,4; Class Song Writer 4; Commercial Club 3,4; Boosters Club 2; Glee Club 4.



IMOGENE WALKER

"What do we live for if it's not to make life less difficult for others?"

High Point 1,2; Senior Scouts 3; Class Officer 3,4; Newspaper 4; Annual 4; Commercial Club 3; Girls State 3; Glee Club 3,4; Miss Denton 4.



BETTY JEAN WILLIAMS

"Our thoughts and our conduct
are our own."

4-H 1; F.H.A. 1,2; Commercial
Club 3,4; Annual Staff 4; Glee
Club 2.

HAZEL MARIE WILSON

"It's better to be small and let
your light shine, than to be large
and cast a shadow."

4-H 1; F.H.A. 1,4; Glee Club 2;
Store 3,4; Commercial Club 3,
4.

CHARLES BRUCE YOKLEY

"Things are bound to happen,
why worry? Everything comes
to him who waits, why hurry?"

4-H 1,2; F.F.A. 1,2; Glee Club
2; Bus Driver 3,4; Science Club
2; Commercial Club 3; Annual
Staff 4; Football 2; Superlatives
4.



RAYMOND ROSS YOKLEY

"A rare compound of oddity
frolic and fun."

Class Officer 1; Football 2; Bus
Driver 4; Annual 4; Science
Club 2; F.F.A. 1,2-(Officer 2)
4-H 1,2; Junior Play 3; Glee
Club 1,3,4; Dentonian Staff 1;
Senior Superlative 4.

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DENNY ROGERS

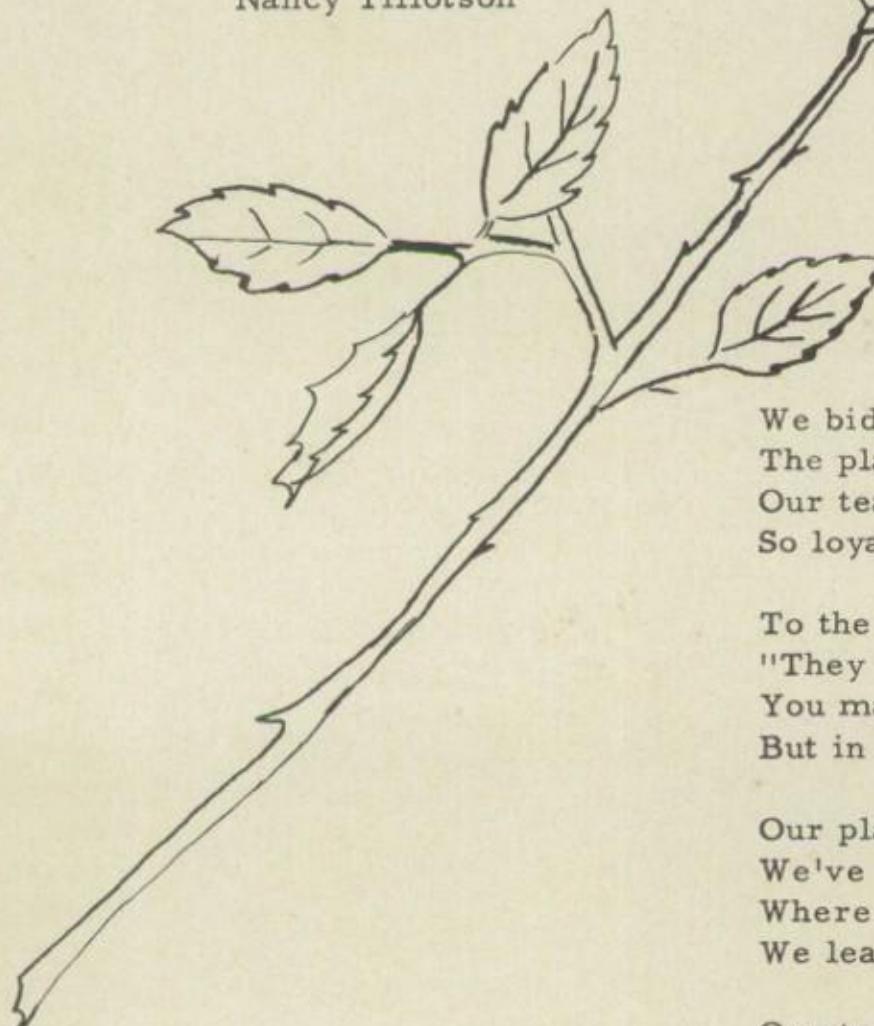
The Senior Class did not feel that this annual would be complete without the picture and a few words about Denny Rogers. Denny was our classmate and friend for nine years, and we were deeply hurt by his death in the summer of 1953. To the memory of Denny, our Senior section of the annual is dedicated.

Class Song

(In tune of "I'll Be Seeing You")

We'll be seeing you,
The time for parting now grows nigh
We'll reminisce and laugh and cry
Of memories gone by.
Games and plays and fun and work
That we have shared,
The friends who've always cared.
We say farewell to teachers dear
We thank you very much
We never would have made the grade
Without your patient, loving touch.
The time is drawing nearer
When in our works of later years
We'll look on Denton High
We'll always remember you
And now we say good-bye.

Class Songwriter:
Nancy Tillotson



Class Poem

We bid farewell to Denton High,
The place we love so dear,
Our teachers, schoolmates, and our friends,
So loyal through each year.

To the Juniors we leave this thought:
"They conquer who believe they can."
You may not think you have a part,
But in life each must take his stand.

Our places now we leave to you;
We've tried to do our best;
Where we have failed, may you succeed—
We leave to you the rest.

Our teachers and our parents,
So loyal and so true,
Our faith to face the storms of life
We owe to God and you.

Twelve years we've been in school
But now we must depart;
In future years we'll all look back
With cherished memories in each heart.

Class Poet:
Pearl Cook

Class History

To misquote the words of that great conqueror Julius Caesar, whom we so diligently, if reluctantly, studied, our high school years can best be summed up by saying, "We came, we saw, we conquered." True we have come, we have seen, and we have almost conquered that, which four years ago, seemed so unreal and far-away - graduation. But let's review a little.

At the beginning of our review we see 50 students entering high school as "green" Freshmen. We realize now how much truth there was to that word "green." But we also see how, under the guidance and leadership of our sponsors Mr. A. M. Snider and Miss Virginia Miller, and our class presidents, Jim Futrell and Carolyn Surratt, we progressed, slowly but surely. Too soon our Freshmen year was over, and we were leaving for our summer vacations, to return as "silly" Sophomores.

Our feelings were a mixture of happiness and grief as we returned to school our next year - happy to be returning, to once again be with our friends and classmates, but unhappy over the death of our friend, Denny Rogers, who passed away during the summer months. Realizing however, that we are not to understand the "why" of everything we began organizing our class. We chose as our class president, Linda Stokes. With her help and the careful guidance of our sponsor, Mr. Coit Rufty, our Sophomore year was soon in full swing. As the various clubs were organized and we became part of them, we began realizing that we really were somebody. The days seemed to fly by and as another year came to an end we were startled by the fact that we were "jaunty" Juniors.

It was during our Junior year that we began to think about our careers - knowing that soon we would be making our own way in the world. Mrs. Sara Smith, our sponsor, and Johnny Huffman, our class president, led us through, what we feel now was a very successful year. Highlighting our year was the trip "Under The Seas," which we invited the Seniors and faculty to take with us, the great moment when We Shook The Family Tree, and the hustle and bustle which accompanied the arrival of our rings. Then the last exams faced us; and we soberly watched the Seniors come forward, one by one, to receive their diplomas - knowing we were to take their places as the "Senior Class of 1956."

September 1, found 33 of us back at school, happily united with friends and classmates but sorry not to see those who were Seniors the previous year. We were overwhelmed by the new faces in our halls and wondered if we would ever learn all their names. With Mr. McCray Holmes as sponsor and Larry Taylor as class president, we began the final lap. Our hours this year, we soon found, were extremely full, with holding offices and belonging to clubs, but that suited us, for after all, we were members of the Senior Class.

You've heard it said, "all good things must come to an end." With that in mind we, as a class and as individuals wish to say, "thanks for all you've done for us," to Mr. Holmes, our sponsor, to Mr. V.O. Jones, our principal, to our friends and especially to our parents, who have made our education possible. Now we, the Senior Class of '56, leave you with this thought, "They Conquer Who Believe They Can."

CLASS HISTORIAN
Linda Stokes

CLASS FLOWER
White Rose

CLASS COLORS
Green and White

CLASS MOTTO
"They Conquer Who Believe They Can."

Last Will And Testament

We, the Senior Class of 1956 of Denton High School, supposedly being of sound mind and body, and being reassured by higher authorities of the certainty of the approach of our graduation, do hereby make, publish, and declare this to be our last will and testament.

To Mr. Jones, we will lockers for all high school students, and a fingerprinting outfit so he can try to keep up with them.
To Mr. Snider, we will good health always, and tickets to all the Carolina football games.
To Mr. Kluttz, we will a '56 Ford to replace his Chevvy.
To Mr. Cannon, we will a Senior Geometry class that comes every day.
To Mr. Hicks, we will better judgment of World Series teams, so he won't need "Get Well" cards.
To Miss Hoover, we will a new commercial room.
To Mr. Sink, we will a new house trailer and acceptance into a dental school.
To Mrs. Smith, we will a new classroom near the office, so it won't be so far away to get excuses.
To Mrs. Taylor, we will the position of Music Teacher of Denton School as long as she wants it.
To Mr. Clark, we will a band that sounds just like the Army Band, and practice time for Glee Club.
To Miss Mason, we will good-luck with her boy friend, like the other Home Economics teachers.
To Mr. Arthur Snider, we will a pair of mittens to keep his hands warm as he lights the boilers on cold mornings.
To Mr. Holmes, we leave our thanks for his help, patience and understanding; and another Senior Class who will think as much of him as we do.

I, Jim Futrell, will my love for fast cars to Steve Garner.
I, Linda Harris, will my place as cheerleader to Ann Garner.
I, Jerry Griffin, will my chemistry book to Clarence Glover.
I, Helen Snider, will my studious ways to my sister Gladys.
I, Tony Parker, will my "catty" ways to Jackie Cole.
I, Carol Grubb, will my place on the newspaper staff to Gladys Snider.
I, Richard Smith, will old "44" to the junkyard.
I, Sara Carroll, will my wanting to love and date only one boy to Nan Johnson.
I, Joe Carroll, will my loud mouth to Dale Morris.

I, Johnny Huffman, will my mischievous ways to Bobby Shackleford.
I, Nelson Doby, will my love for commercial subjects to Johnny Smith.
I, Pearl Cook, will a carton of bubble-gum to chew in Mrs. Smith's English Class to Frances Kindley.
I, Johnny Snider, will my extreme height to Jimmy Morris.
We, Karen Adams and Lucille Hedrick, will our quiet ways to Iris Jean Morgan and Frances Kindley.
I, Charles Staley, will my ability to leave school at lunch to Jimmy Morris.
We, Hazel Wilson and Goldia Ruth Spivey, will our natural blonde hair to Martha and Cornelia Snider.
I, Linda Stokes, will anything anybody wants to them.
I, Sidney Little, will my ability to pick the banjo and act the clown to David Snider.
I, Rowland Garner, will my ability to skate to Susan Kearns.
I, Mary Surratt, will the courage it took to have my long hair cut short to Nancy Campbell.
I, Larry Taylor, will my office as President of Beta Club to John Gallimore.
I, Bet Williams, will my independance to Lee Attress Daniels.
I, Henry Glover, will my ability to stay out of sixth period study hall to anyone who is smart enough to get by with it.
We, Carolyn Surratt, Imogene Walker, and Nancy Tillotson, will our love for Bermuda Shorts to Alice Cranford, Lynda Snider, and Ann Bisher.
I, Graham Davis, will my cowboy hat to John Gallimore.
I, Charlie Yokely, will my ability to pick on girls and make them like it to Roy Lee Morris.
I, Ross Yokley, will my place in a certain pink and white convertible to Sara Dell Little.
I, Nancy Carroll, will my ability to always have too much to do, to always be in a hurry, and to always be in the middle of everything to Libby Shaw.
I, Mr. Holmes, will the rest of my belt to the Freshman English Teacher.

Having appointed our class advisor, Mr. Holmes as our sole executor of this will and testament, and in the witness of he and the Senior Class, I, the testator, have set my hand and seal on this the 19th day of May in the year 1956.

Class Testator: Carolyn Surratt

Class Prophecy



As I hurtle across the continent on a super-sonic train to a luncheon appointment in Los Angeles - the sound of an old, familiar tune floats down from the ceiling. In this electronic age, music comes from everywhere. "It's Almost Tomorrow" brings back memories of my Senior year, 1956 - it hardly seems it could be '76 already.

Suddenly, I'm startled out of my daydreams by the sound of a voice calling "peanuts, popcorn, sandwiches," and I discover to my surprise the voice is that of Larry Taylor. He finally gave up his engineering degree. Right behind him comes Henry Glover, conductor. As I hand him my ticket, he tells me that most of the class of '56 is on the train. Deciding to visit them all, I set out to explore the train.

In the first car, I discover a whole troupe of circus performers, traveling to their next engagement. After talking to Hazel Wilson, lion-tamer; Lucille Hedrick, burlesque queen; and Johnny Snider, strong man, I walked into the next car. Something swooped down over my head, and I looked up to see Goldia Spivey and Charles Staley, rehearsing for their new trapeze act.

After finally getting out of that car, I stumbled on, discovered myself in a rich, private car - filled with servants and money. In the middle, I see Sara Carroll figuring to see if her 30 million dollars a year is still rolling in. No - she never married, she's a career girl.

Sara and I sat down for a long talk, and she told me of seeing a new group of singers, the "Larkspurs" singing in the rhythm and blues revue. We're real proud of this group; they're all from Denton - Nelson Doby, Karen Adams, Bet Williams, and Graham Davis. Mary Surratt was mistress of ceremonies at the revue, and was a grand success.

As Sara and I were talking, there was a muffled explosion and three of the cars jumped the track. Upon investigation, we found the cause of the explosion - Jerry Griffin is still working with his Chemistry set. His wife and eight daughters were pronounced unharmed by Dr. Helen Snider. Helen was so impressed by the work that doctors did on her leg, she became one herself.

A construction crew, consisting of Rowland Garner, Tony Parker, and Richard Smith rushed to the site, and soon had everything under control. Charlie Yokley drove by in

his "Charlie Car," a sports car of his own design, which he sells by the billions. From Charlie we learn that Ross is a leading manufacturer of women's girdles - he learned how to make a new style at State. One of his best customers is Linda Harris, strictly a housewife, who finally lost her tiny waistline.

Getting back on the train and underway again, I decide to go on to the dining car - I'm hungry, as always. The food is delicious and upon inquiry, I'm told that it was prepared by Pearl Cook and Carol Grubb, internationally known chefs. Carol only cooks for the train when her husband is traveling, and takes the eight kids to her mother. Going into the club car, I find a large picture covering almost all of the wall, and the artist still at work. Nancy Tillotson is busy doing a life-sized picture of Imogene Walker, nationally known society leader. Imogene is known for her brilliant, formal, and well-planned details.

Hearing more confusion along the line, I rush to the back just in time to see a tramp being thrown off a freight car. The culprit is Jim Futrell - he lost all his money in a crap game, and is now a full time bum. Sidney Little comes to the rescue, however, and offers Jim a job in his lace factory. Sidney does all of the designing and most of the knitting himself - he has a small but exclusive business.

We finally arrive at Los Angeles, and as I get off the train, I run smack-dab into Joe Carroll, who is now principal of a girl's school. Joe is returning Mr. and Mrs. Holmes' eight daughters to their farm - Mr. Holmes and his nine sons are out hunting and fishing as usual.

There at the train I am met by Linda Stokes, internationally known movie star. I came to have lunch with Linda alone, but I find she is constantly shadowed by Johnny Huffman, her publicity agent. Johnny has done much to help Linda on her way to fame. While we are eating, we are also joined by Carolyn Surratt for a conference on costumes for Linda's next picture. Carolyn has achieved her life-long dream of designing sports clothes, and now designs exclusively for Linda. On week-ends, you'll always find Carolyn at her horse ranch.

As for me, I'm still doing just what I'm doing now - writing.

Class Prophetess-
Nancy Carroll

Senior Statistics

In our annual are pictures of the Seniors and facts about the Seniors - but here are some facts that you may not know, and may find more interesting.

In appearance, our girls average 5'3 1/2" tall, and their average weight (so they say) is 109 pounds. Their eyes are blue and their hair is brown. Our boys average 5'-10", weight 152 pounds, have brown hair, and hazel eyes. Even though they look like this - they prefer their girls to have black hair and brown eyes. The girls agree with the boys for a change, and prefer boys with black hair and brown eyes. So girls, rush out to get your Slim-X, and boys, order your "Charles Atlas Muscle Building Course" today - be popular.

During the week, while attending school very faithfully, the girls claim to like Home Economics best, and the boys can't seem to agree on any one subject. There are two independent souls however - one boy vows his favorite subject is "girls," and one girl prefers "Bobby." They all get together on one thing however - Mr. Holmes is their favorite teacher.

After school, at their favorite hang-out, they prefer popular or rhythm and blues music. But when it comes to favorites they seem to go for the slow and sentimental side - such as "Love is a Many Splendored Thing, Unchained Melody, and I'll Never Stop Loving You."

At night - basketball games are the major attraction for everyone, and you'll find representatives of our class among both teams, cheerleaders, and fans. On Saturday nights, (and nights when there are no ball games) you'll find most of us at the movies

- the Lantern, the West-49, the Midway, the Lexington, and the Badin Road. They're enjoying the movies (?), of course. When asked about their favorite movie - they'll stammer, stutter and finally come up with "The Blackboard Jungle." It seems that some of our class see this movie every Saturday night or "Hoot Gibson and the Sheriff's Daughter." They all seem to go for Rock Hudson, Marlon Brando, June Allyson, and Jane Russell. The girls also go for the late James Dean. Regardless of their preference - they always have fun!!

Just anytime, you'll find us looking for clothes or just about anything in our favorite color - it's a toss-up between blue and green. But that independent soul is still around, looking for their favorite color - red. You'll hear our favorite expressions too - from "Beats me," to "Good gosh", to "What it are?"

On Sunday you'll find the majority of us at the Methodist Church - but everyone's at church somewhere. On Sunday, we have our most serious thoughts, and while we were thinking along these lines, we were asked to name the person we admired and respected most on earth. There were answers ranging from Dwight Eisenhower to Billy Graham - but a majority chose Rev. McCray Holmes.

As for the future of our class, a majority plan to go on to some form of schooling - a good many to college, studying to be everything from a mechanical engineer to a journalist. There is also a large group which plans to attend business college. As for the rest, most of the boys plan to be in part of the armed services, or to work, and the girls to get married and/or work.



A Day In The Life Of A Senior

7 O C L O C K



2 O C L O C K



9 O C L O C K



4 O C L O C K



11 O C L O C K



8 O C L O C K

1 O C L O C K



11 O C L O C K



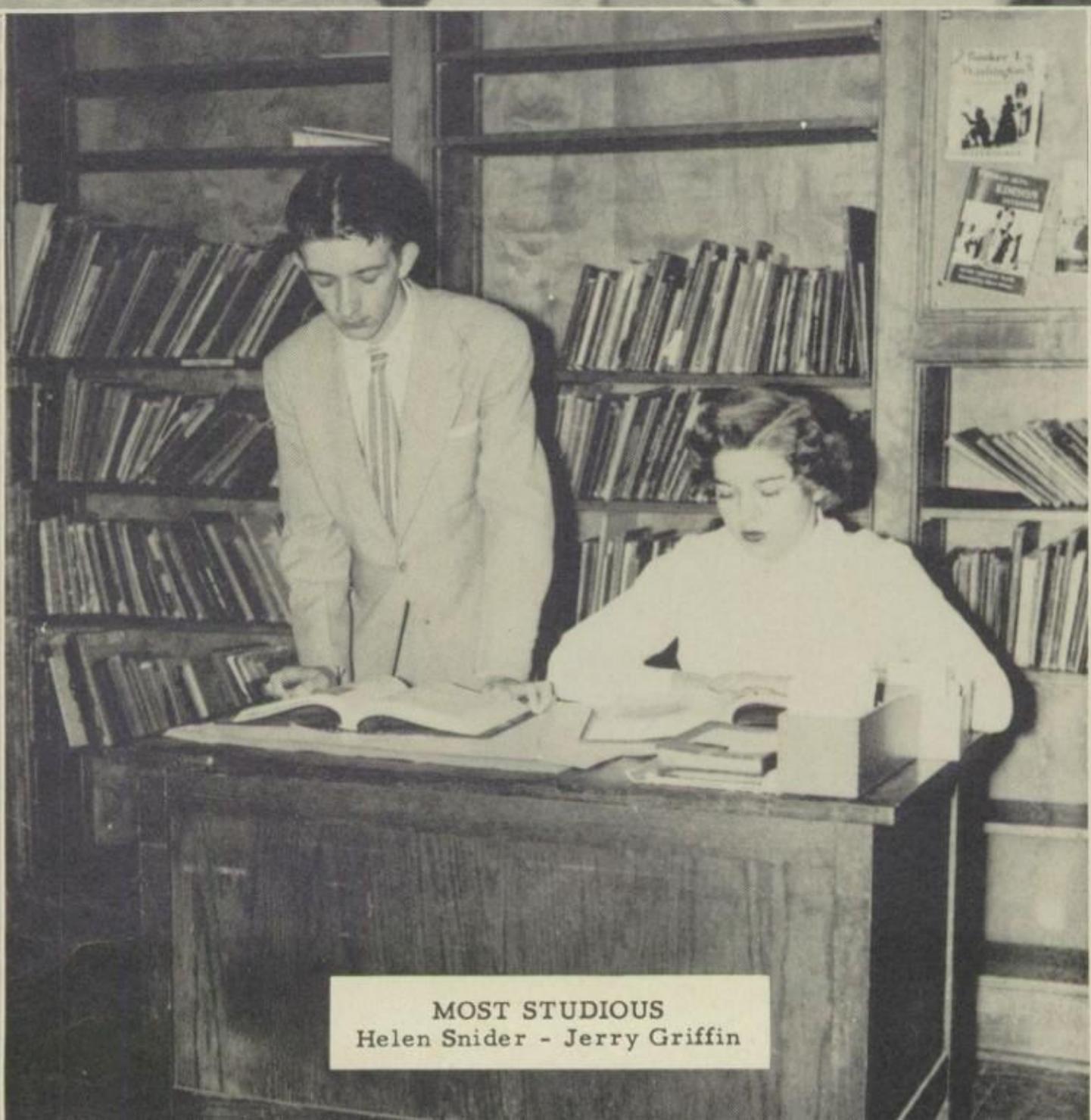
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Sara Carroll - Larry Taylor



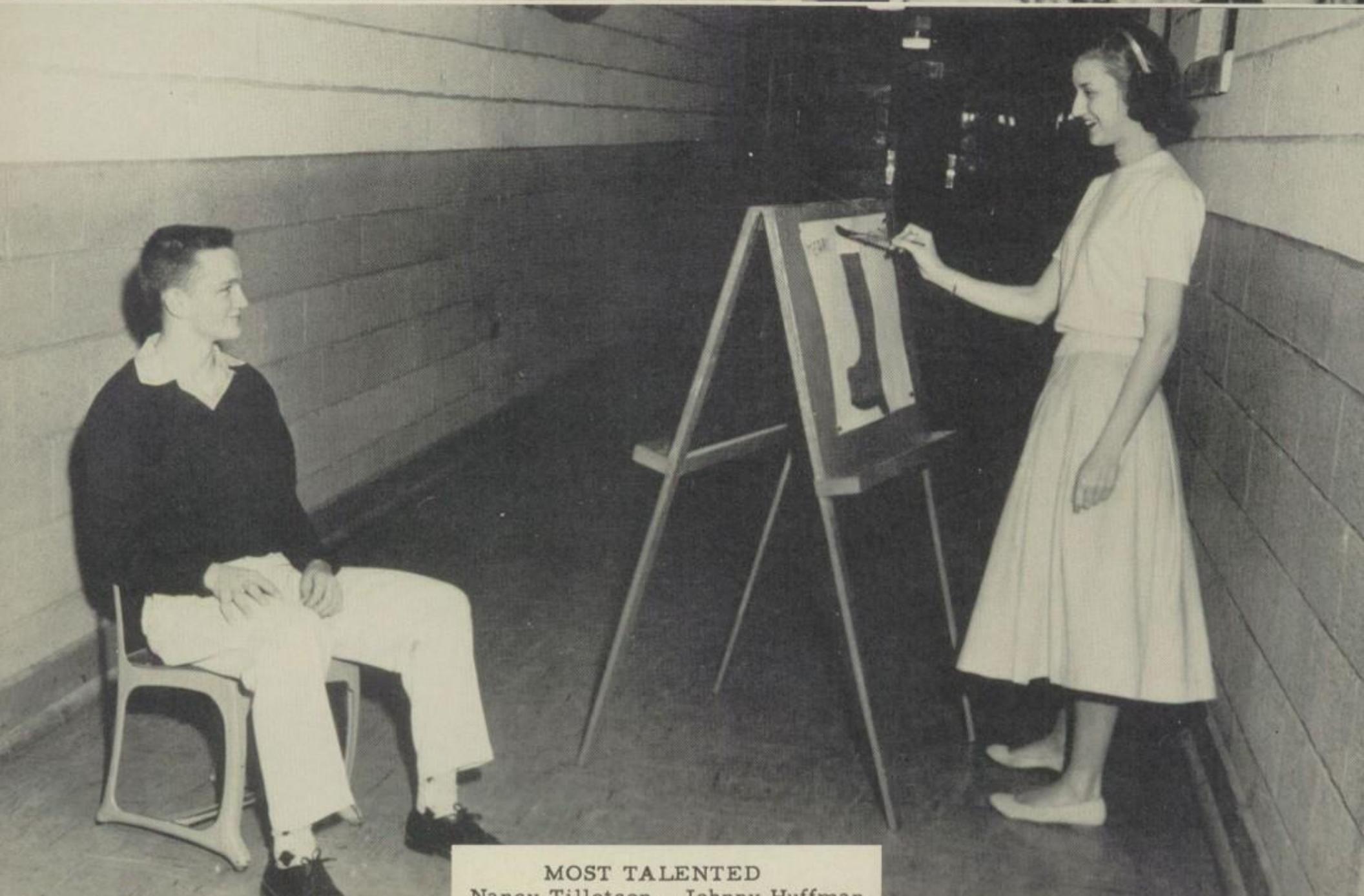
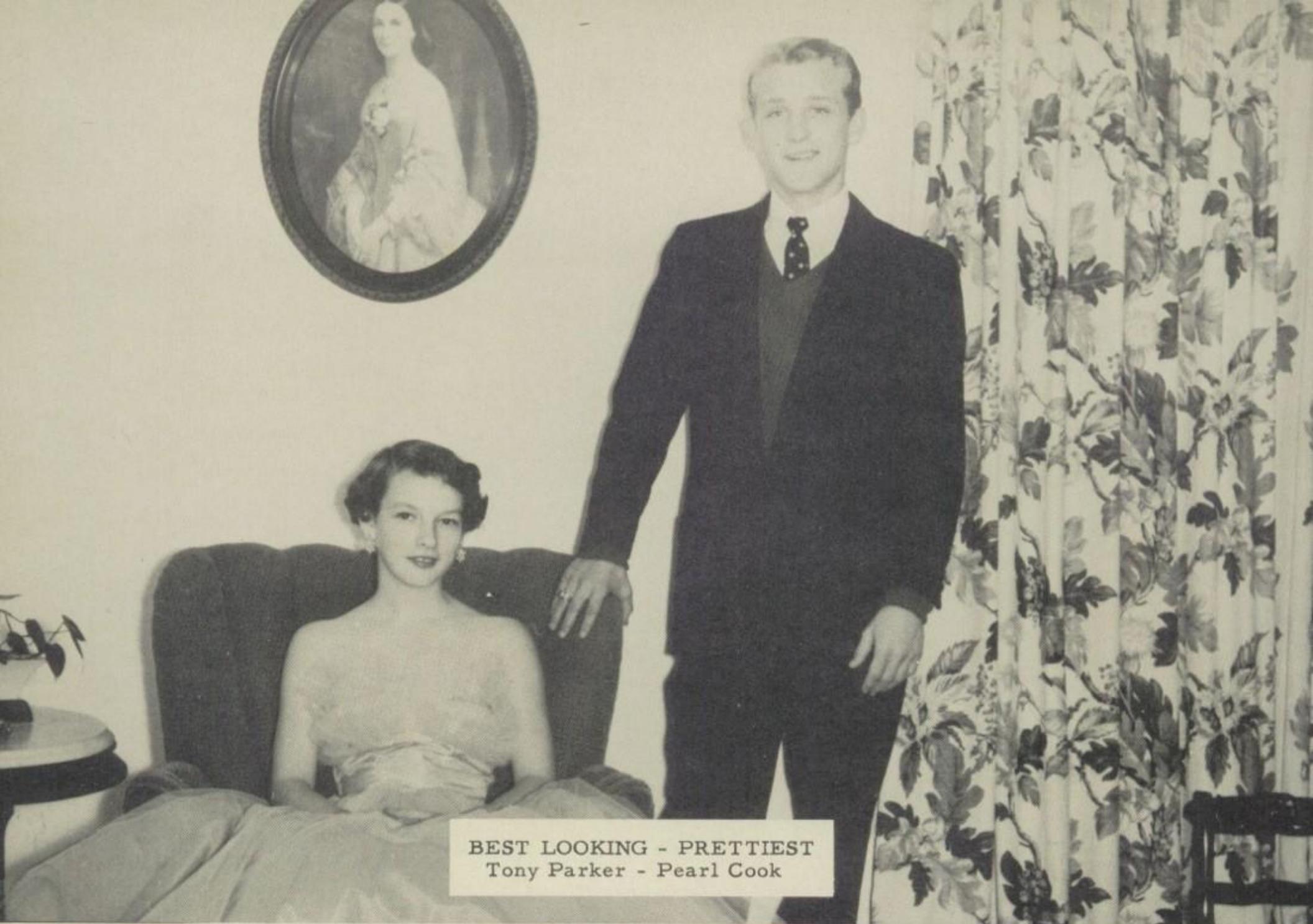
MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED
Nancy Carroll - Johnny Huffman



BEST ALL-AROUND
Linda Stokes - Sidney Little



MOST STUDIOUS
Helen Snider - Jerry Griffin





MOST ATHLETIC
Sara Carroll - Sidney Little



BEST SPORTS
Carolyn Surratt - Charlie Yokley



BEST DRESSED
Carolyn Surratt - Tony Parker



MOST COURTEOUS
Linda Harris - Ross Yokley



WITTIEST
Nancy Tillotson - Jim Futrell



FRIENDLIEST
Imogene Walker - Graham Davis



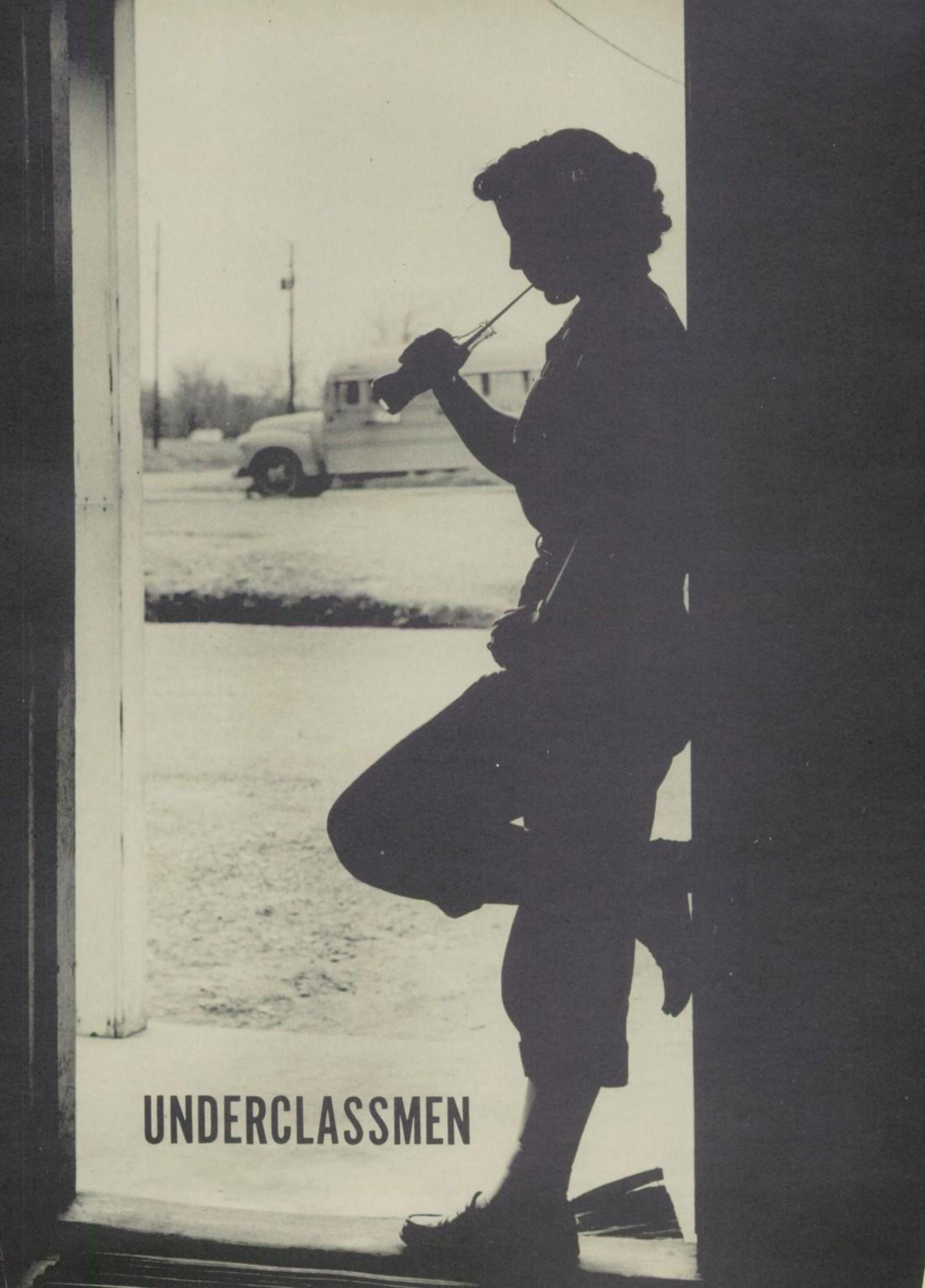
MOST TALKATIVE
Nancy Carroll - Jim Futrell

2 O'CLOCK

4:45 P.M.



BIGGEST FLIRTS
Linda Stokes - Rowland Garner



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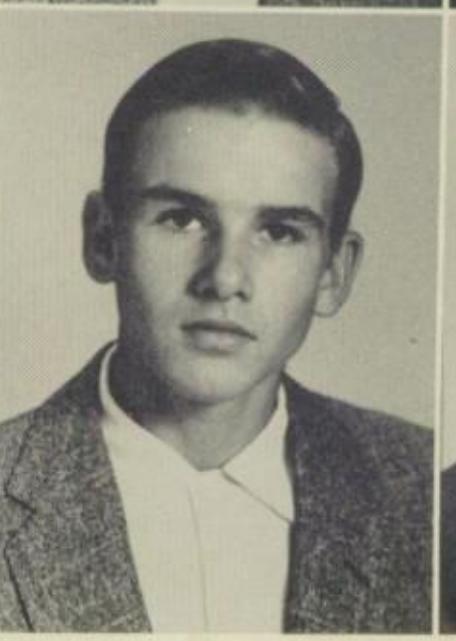
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Sidney Garner



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Juniors



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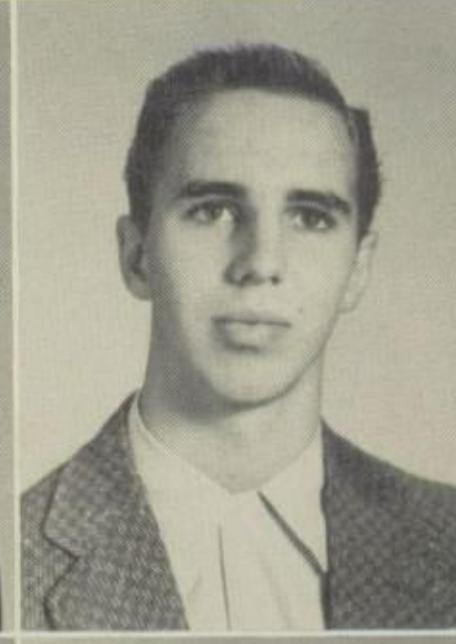
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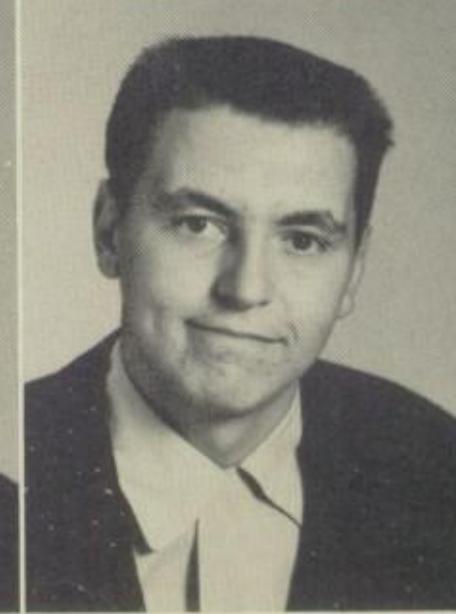
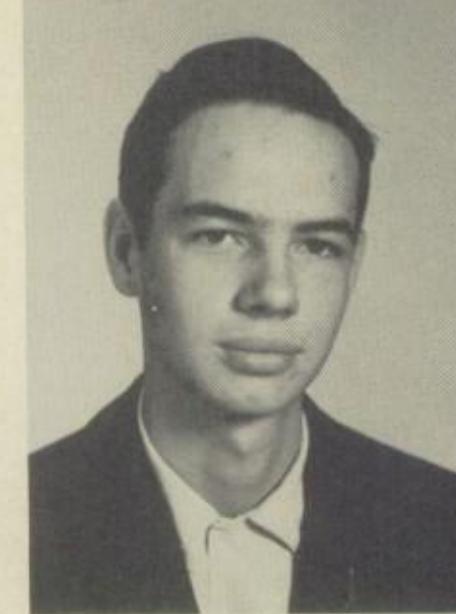
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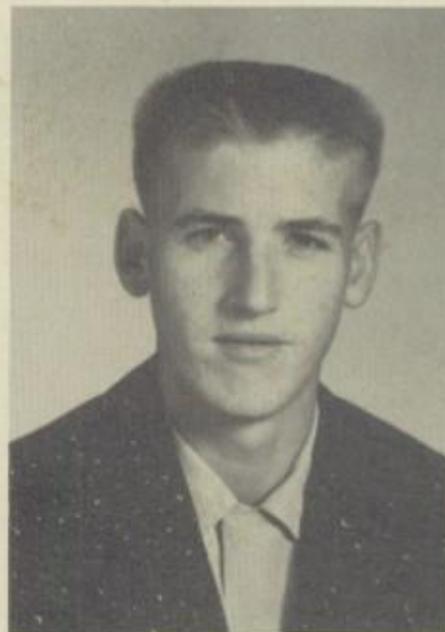
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Jimmy Morris

Donald Newsom

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Bobby Shackleford



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Linda Skeen



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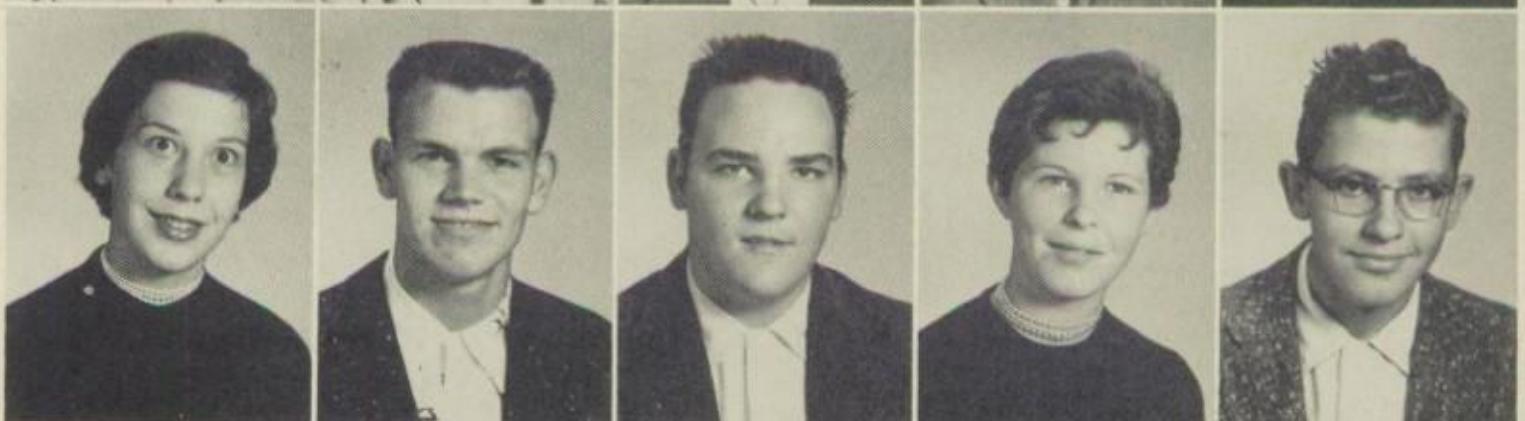
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Ellen Andrews
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Max Bisher
Cynthia Bradshaw



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Kenneth Cook
Dianne Crotts



Frances Daniels
Bobby Dunn
Lowell Fine
Evelyn Frank
Rayvon Frank



Darrell Gallimore
Donald Gallimore
Kenneth Gallimore
Tase Gallimore
Jerry Garner



Kenneth Garner
Lillian Garner
Clarence Glover
Nancy Goins
Barbara Harris



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Johnny Harrison
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Glenda Huffman



Sophomores



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Geraldine Lax
Sara Dell Little
Barbara Loflin



Clarence Loflin
Faydene Loflin
Janet Loflin
Mattie Michael
Roy Lee Morris



Sylvia Morris
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Max Newby
Benny Owens
Dean Rash



Grayson Reid
Angie Robbins
Marilyn Russell
Deloris Smith
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Elizabeth Glover
James Garner
Ralph Gallimore





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Lorene Loftin
Robert Loftin

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Pallie Ridge

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Earl Wayne Seabolt
Joel Sexton
Billy Smith

Freshmen

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DeWayne Snider
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Gail Surratt
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Jerry Tillotson
Edith Tysinger
Darrell Wood



Brenda Wright
Sue Young
Mr. Charles Sink



Snapshots





ACTIVITIES

As we label the last picture, type the last copy, seal the huge packages, and send them on their way, it's hardly possible the days of seemingly endless work can be reaching an end.

Many long, hard hours of planning, worry, and work have gone into putting together into a few pages a year of life at Denton High. All this has been done to give you a record to keep forever of a wonderful year in all of our lives.

To Mr. Jones, and the faculty, we wish to express our appreciation for their co-operation and patient acceptance of our many requests which often disturbed their work.

To the Delmar staff, we acknowledge a debt of gratitude for answering our many questions, and making a good annual out of our confused ideas.

To the students, we say "thanks" for cheerfully helping us to capture in pictures all your activities.

To Mr. Holmes, we give our thanks for patiently listening to all our troubles and snarls - then calmly straightening them out.

To all who have helped in any way - may you get as much enjoyment from this annual as we have secured from giving it to you.

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Editor-in-Chief

The Phoenix

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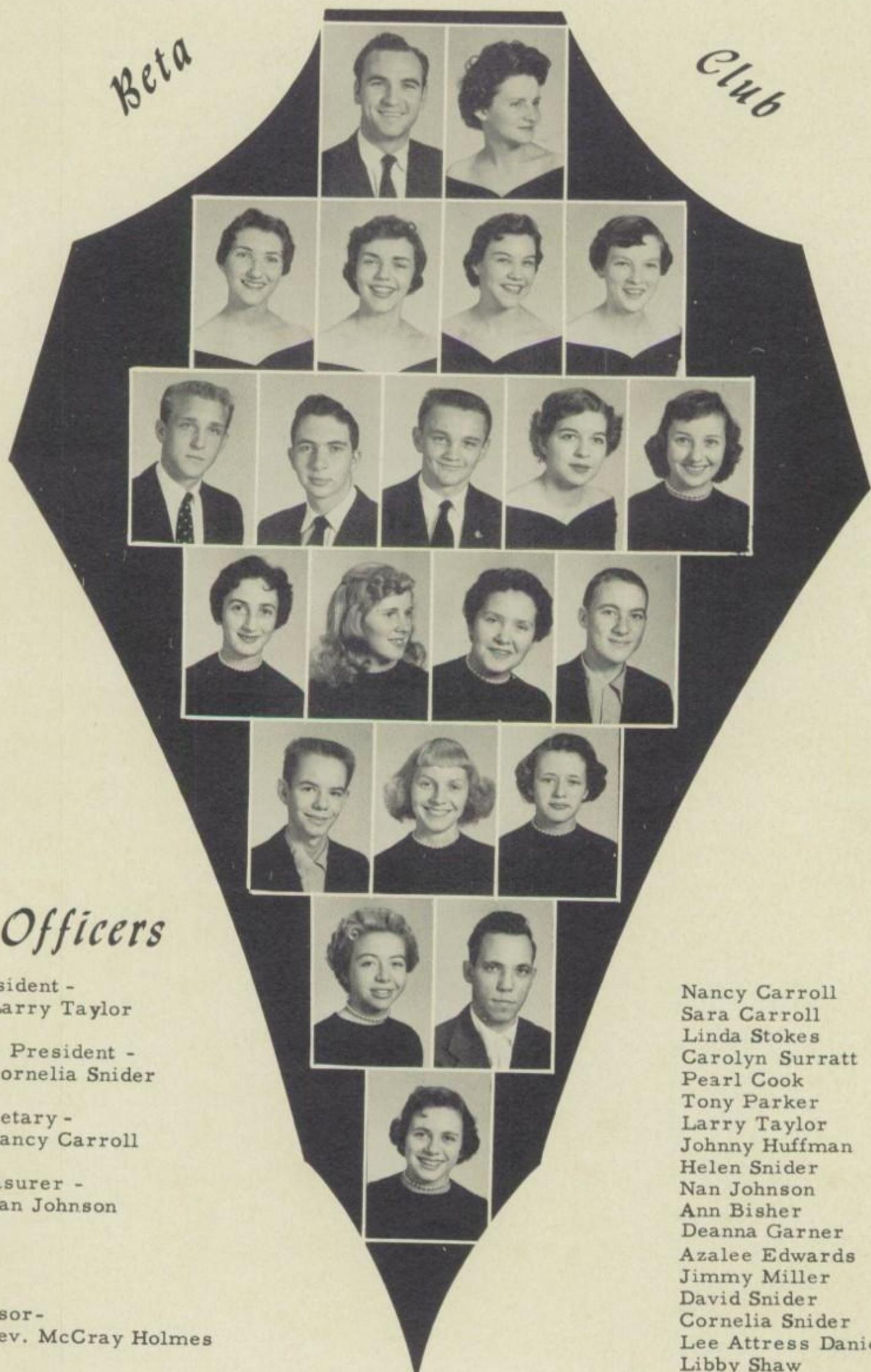
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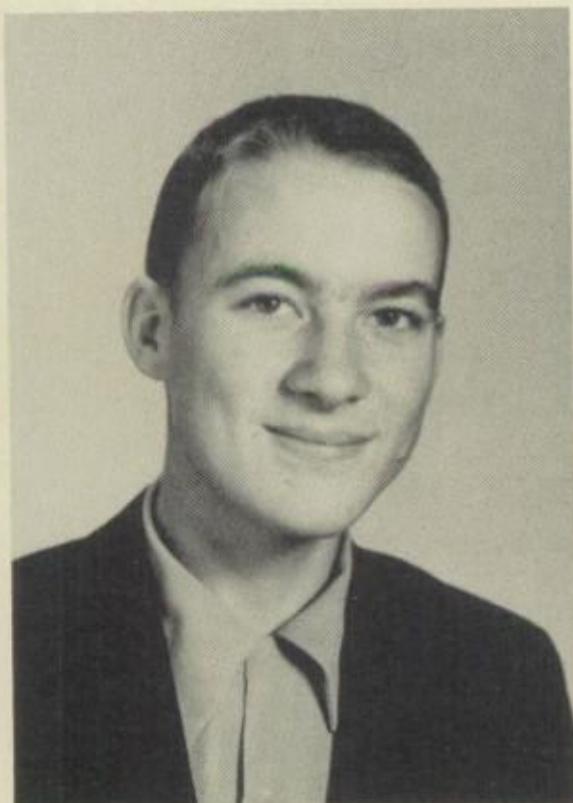
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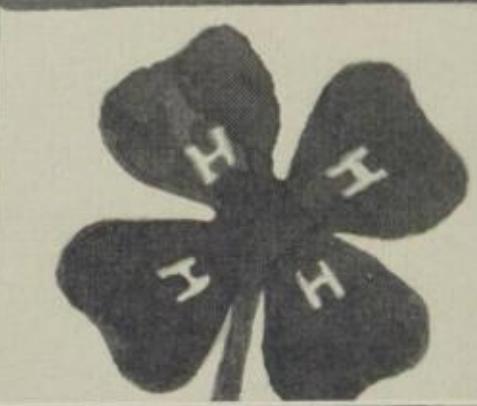


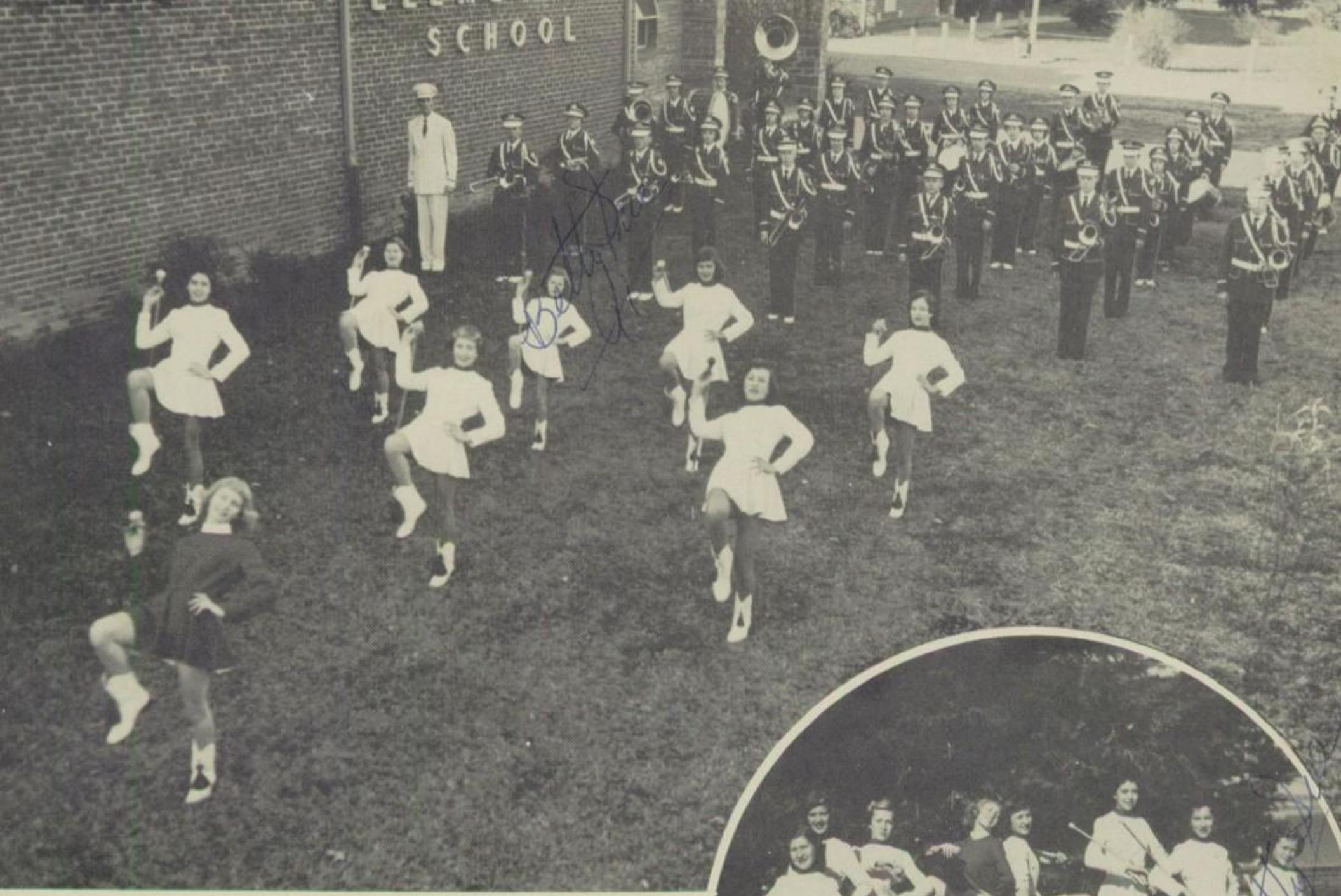


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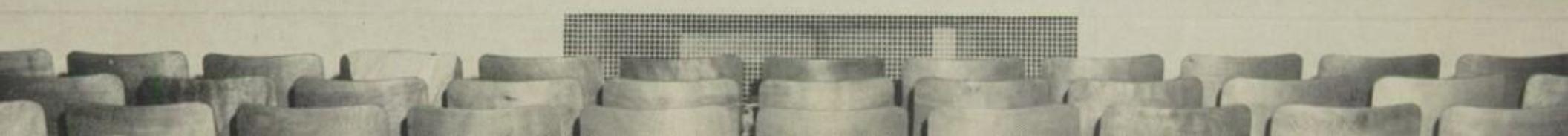
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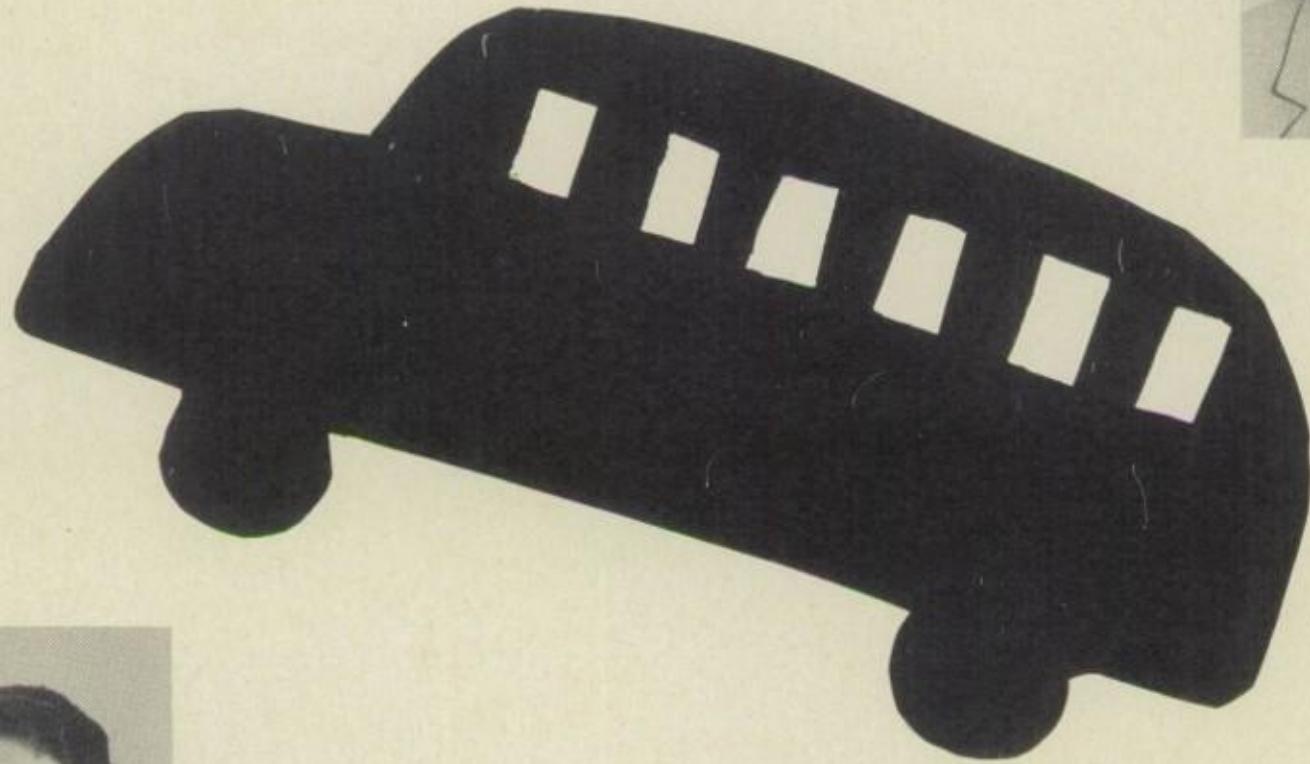
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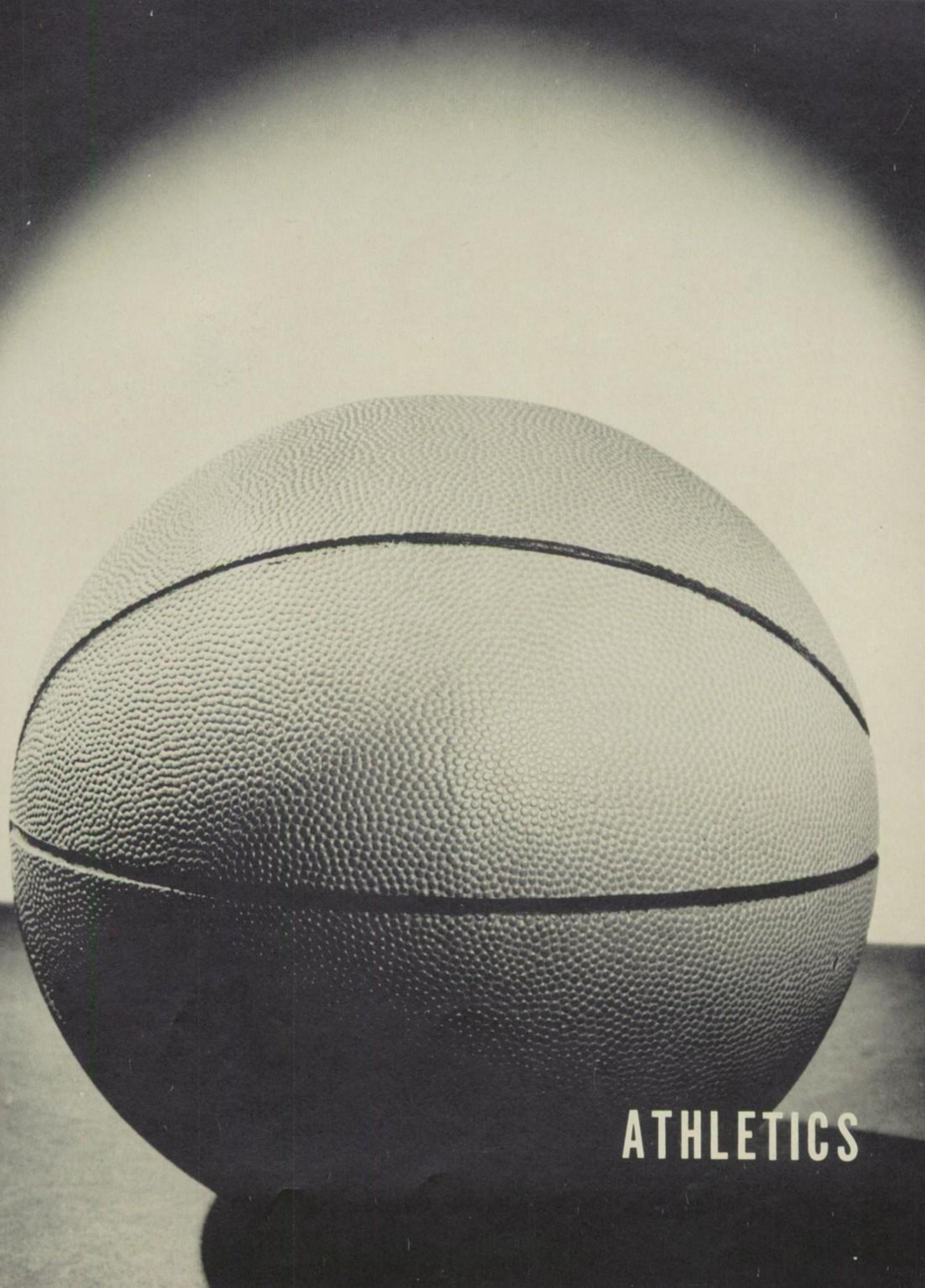
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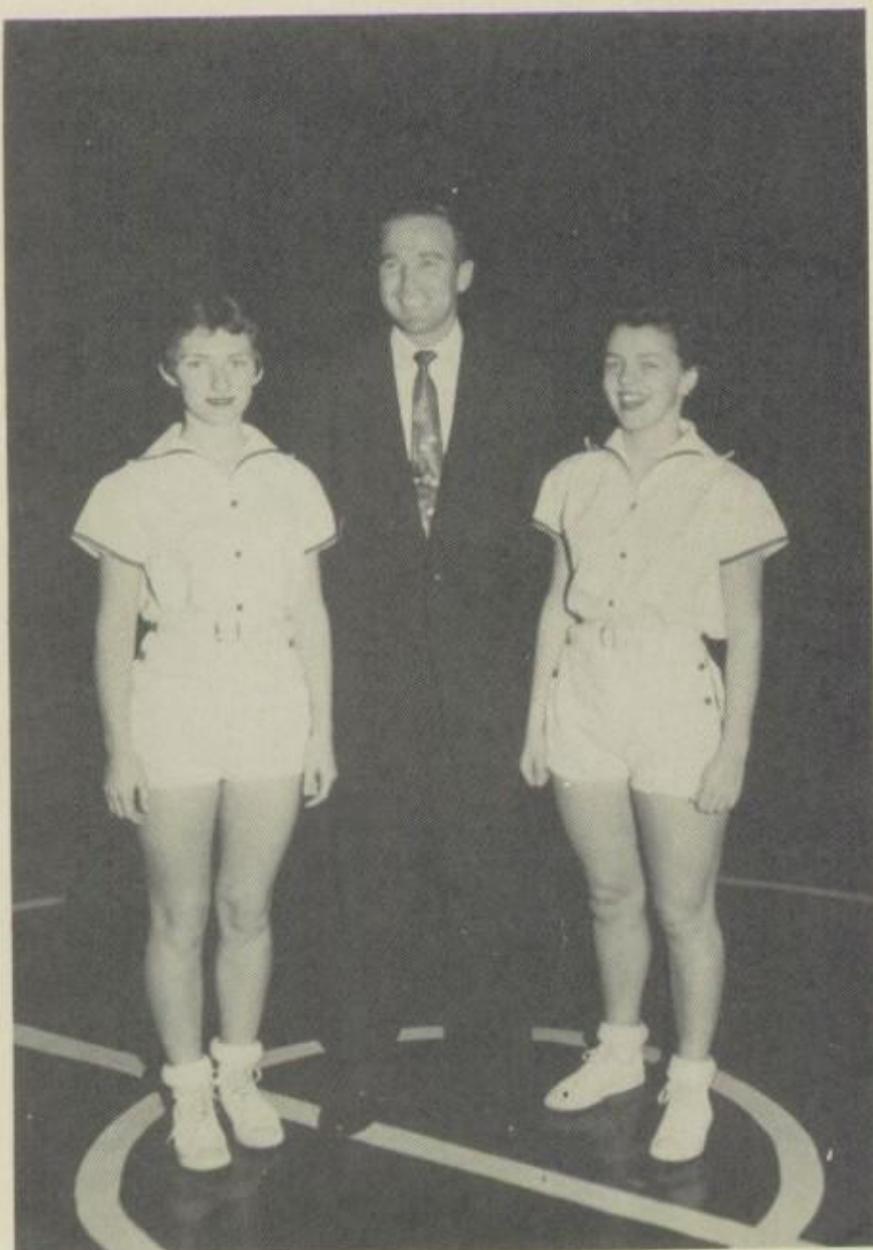


ATHLETICS



Girls' Basketball Team

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Sara Carroll, Linda Stokes
(Co-captains)



Sara Carroll
Deloris Smith
Iris Jean Morgan
Nancy Campbell
Angie Robbins
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Sara Carroll



Linda Stokes



Nancy Campbell



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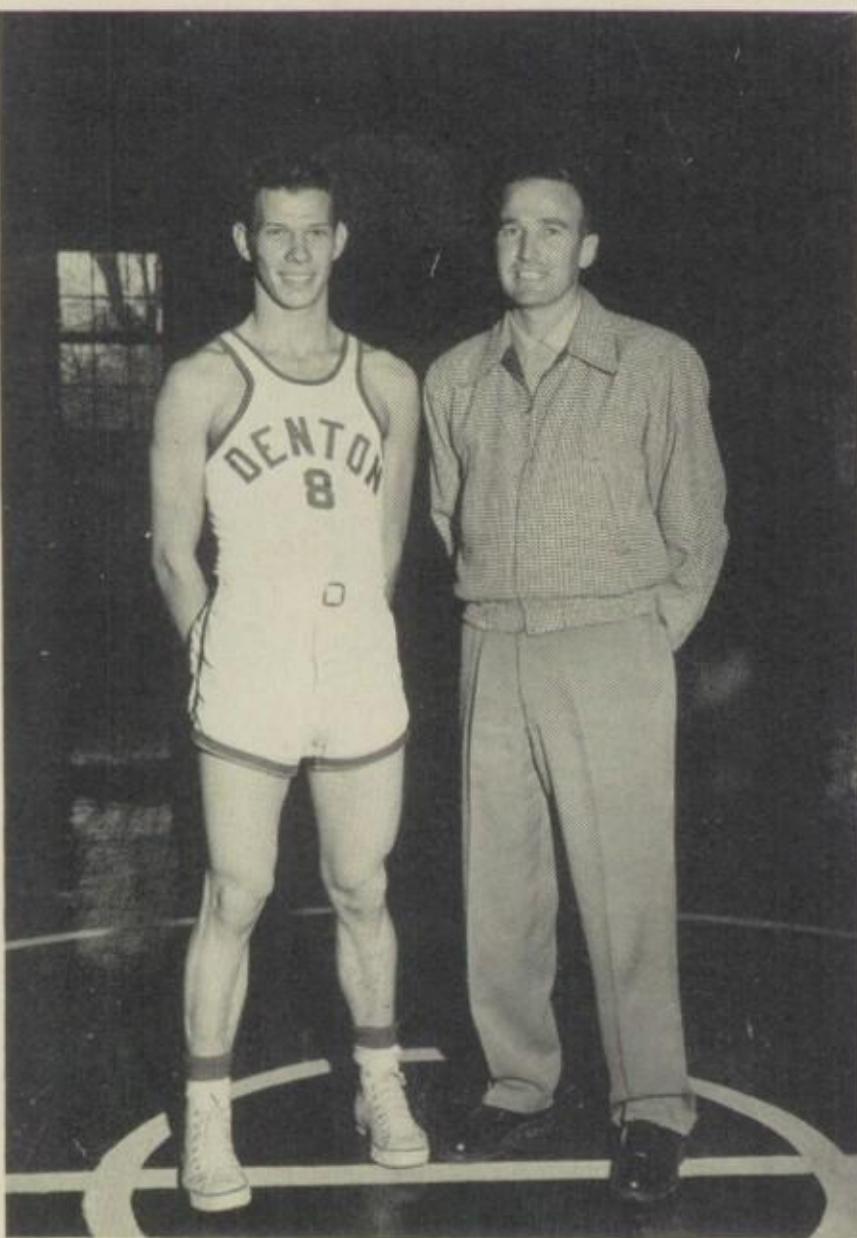


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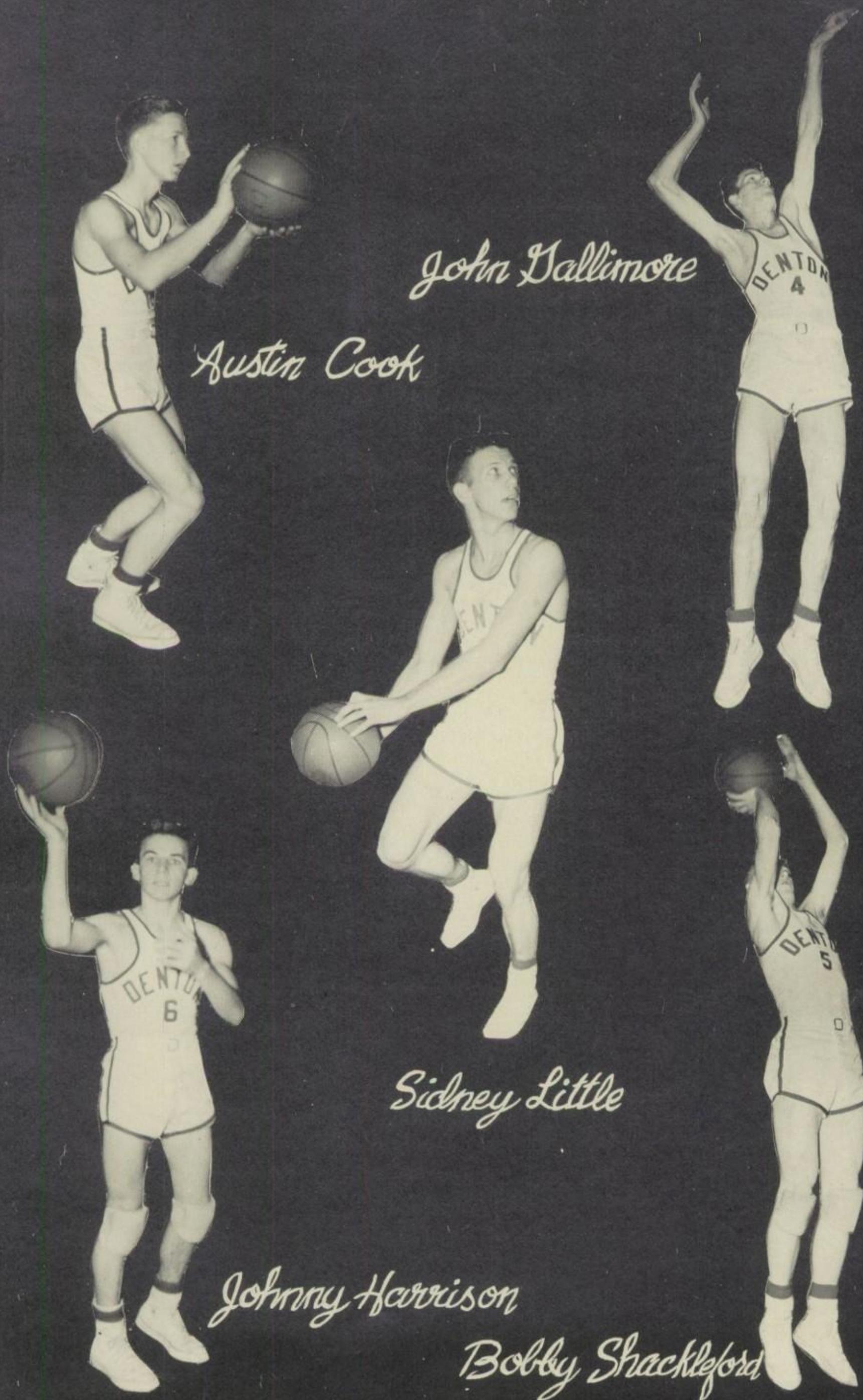


Boys' Basketball Team

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Sidney Little
Captain



Sidney Little
John Gallimore
Austin Cook
Johnny Harrison
Bobby Shackleford
Johnny Huffman
Ned Surratt
Jim Futrell
Gary Lovette
Bobby Dunn
Johnny Griffis
Donald Gallimore



John Gallimore

Austin Cook



Sidney Little



Johnny Harrison

Bobby Shackleford



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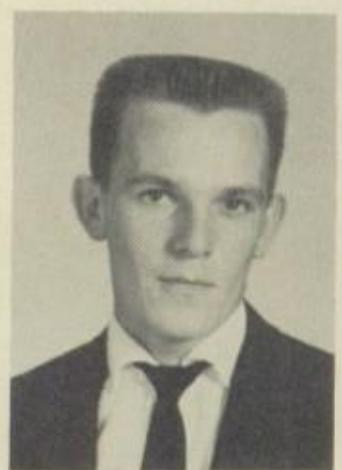
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Baseball '55



Softball Team '55

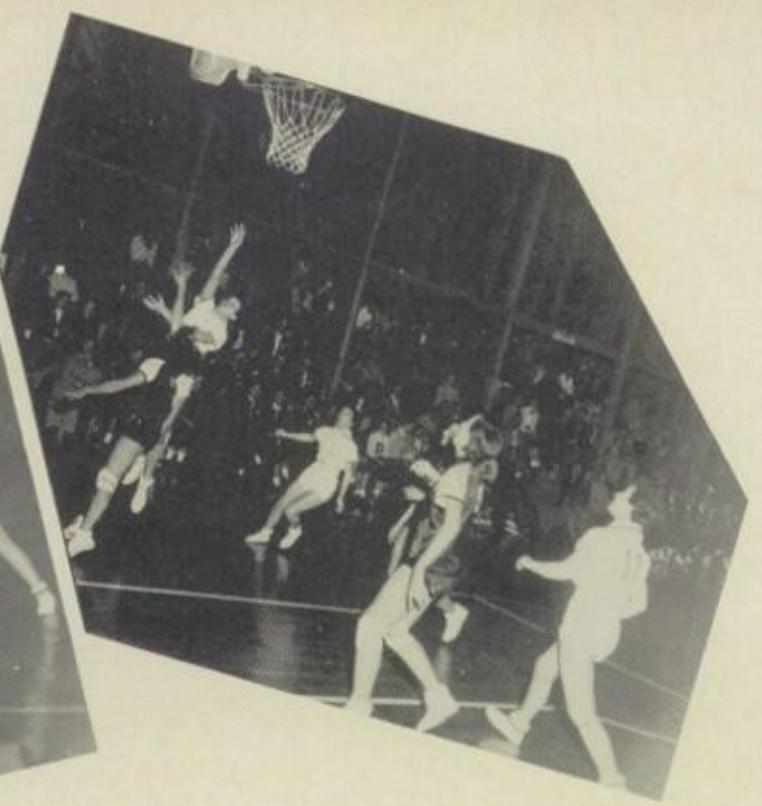
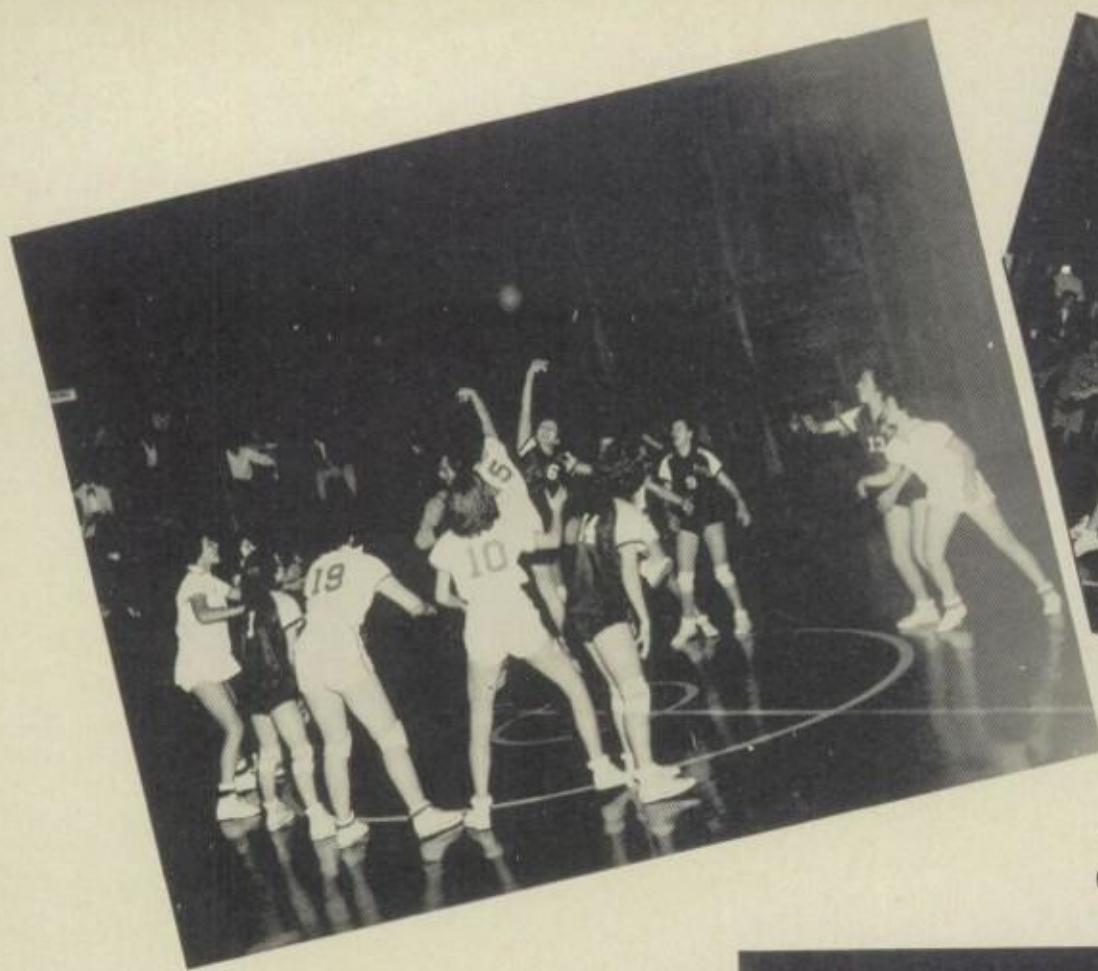


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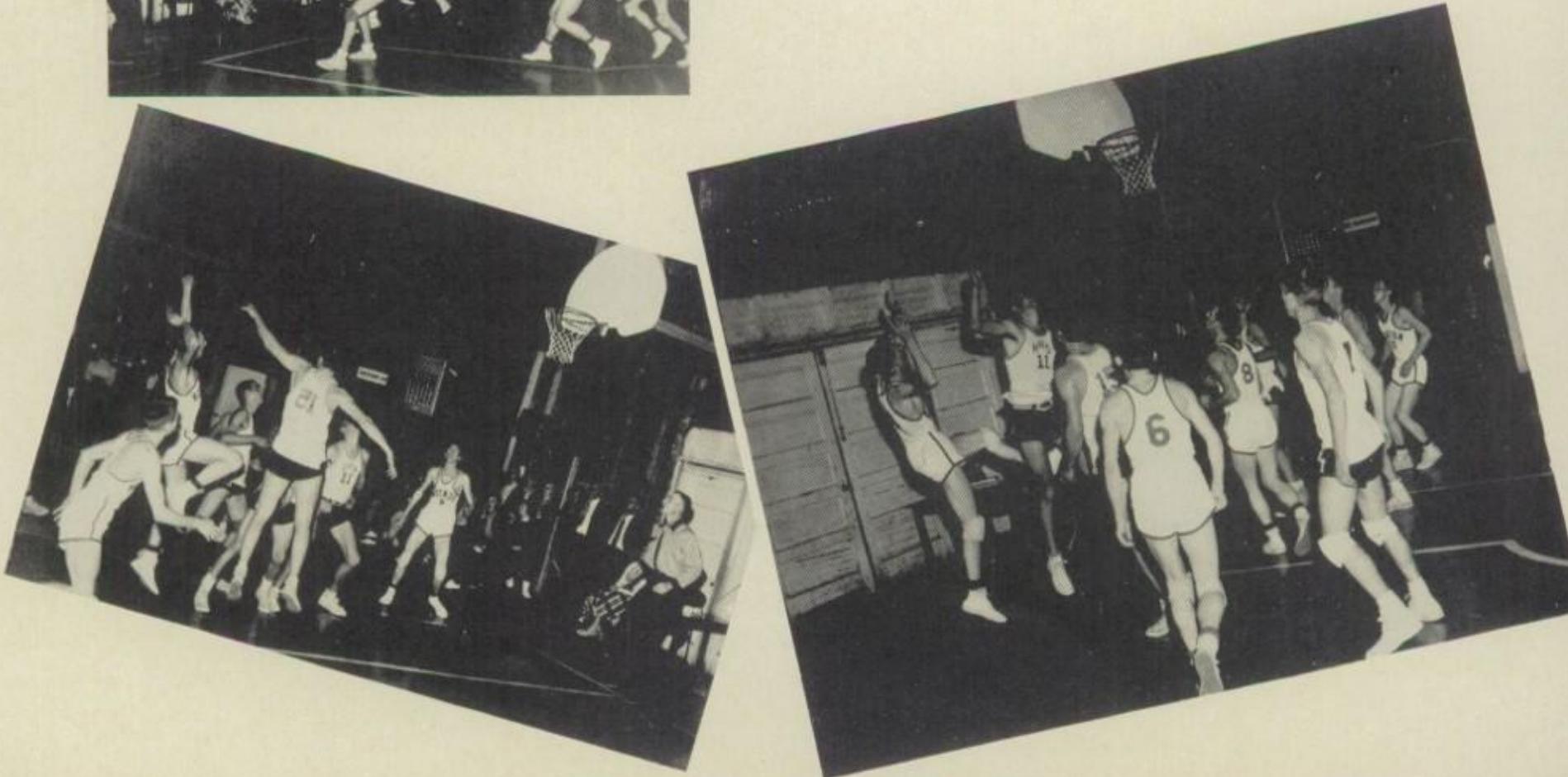
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In Action!!





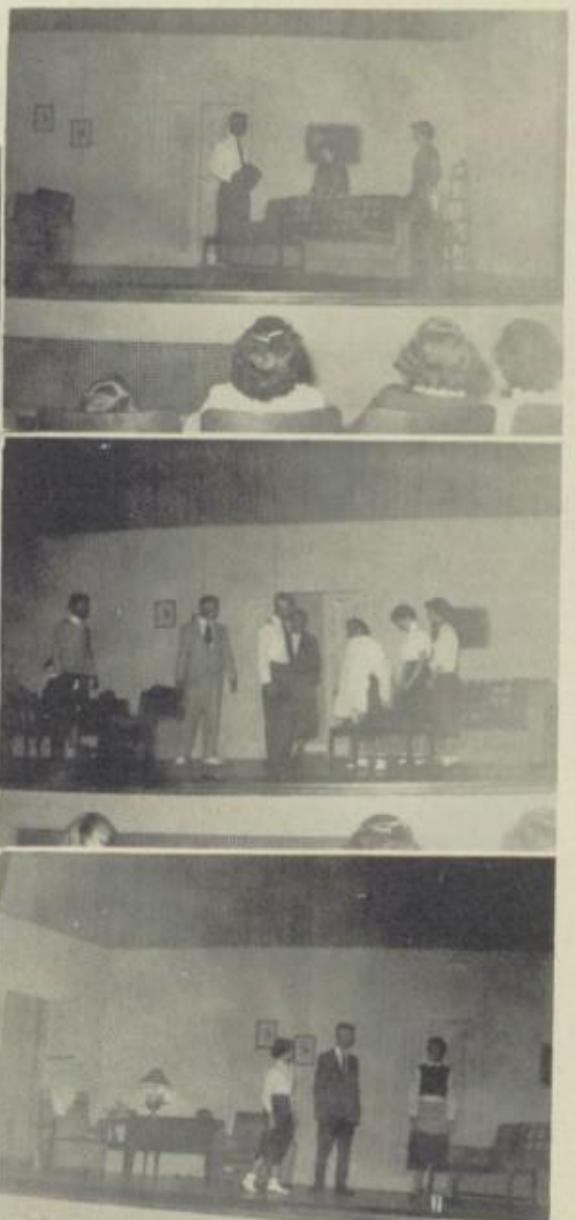
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"We Shook The Family Tree"

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Junior plays



"Finders Creepers"

October 21, 1955



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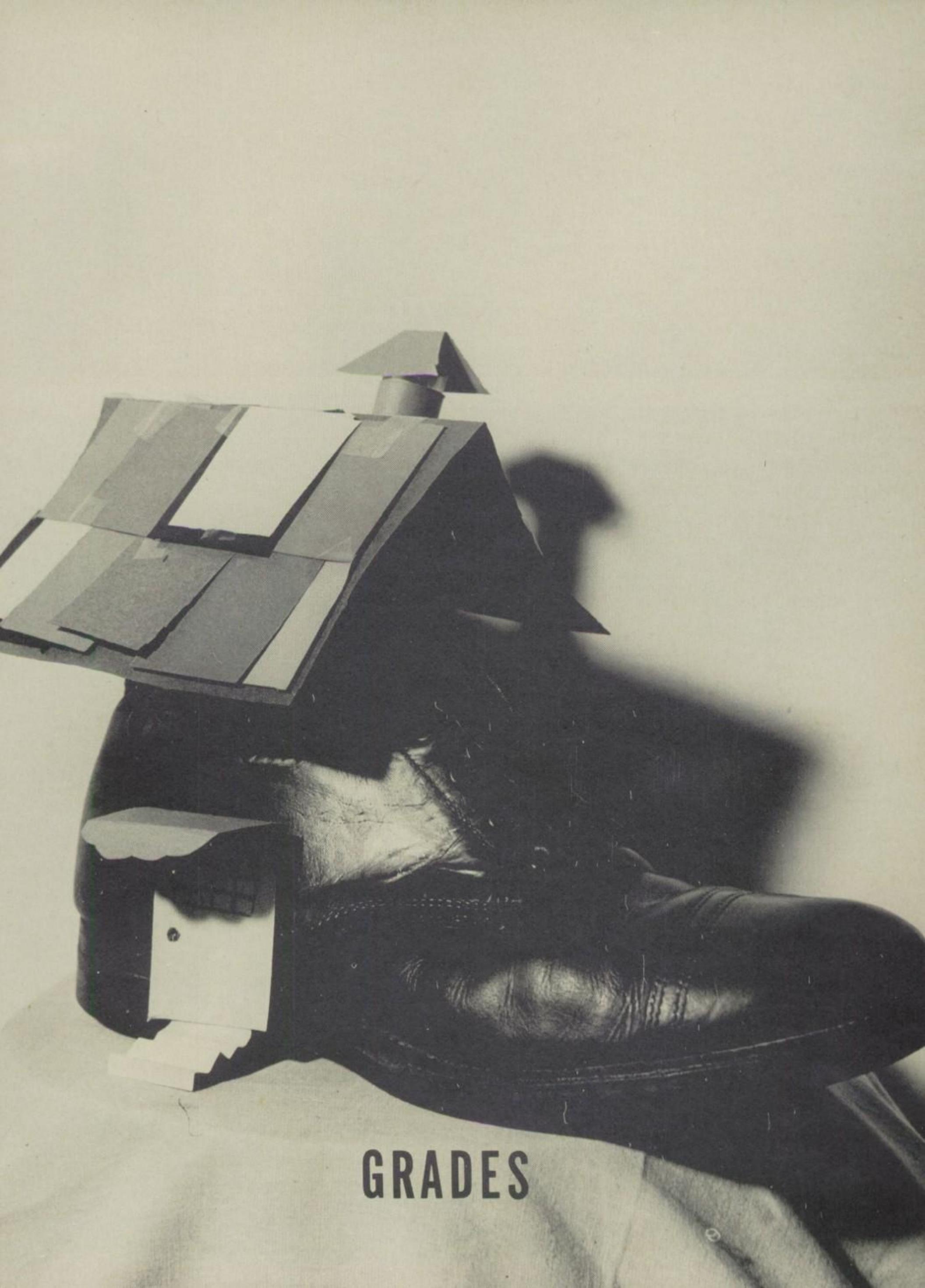


Our First Bon Rally - November 7, 1955



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GRADES

Eighth Grades



Peggy Adams
Joe Andrews
Shirley Barnes
Carol Bean
Dwight Beane



Ray Bivens
Rebecca Blake
Connie Buie
Tommy Carroll
Jimmy Chriscoe



Emma Combs
James Covington
Colleen Cranford
Wadene Cranford
Kaye Daniel



Rebecca Daniel
Lloyd Davis
Joyce Doby
Amy Edwards
Donald Everhart



Elaine Fine
Joyce Fine
Rebecca Frank
Sonja Floyd
Frazier Garner



Joetta Garner
Linda Gallimore
Linda Garner
Melissa Galloway
Rhonda Garner



Richard Gallimore
Ronnie Griffin
Bennie Hardy
Carol Harrison
Lester Hedrick

Eighth Grades

Loretta Harris
Wanda Hallbrook
Beverly Jones
David Lanier
Jimmy Lanier



Judy Lambeth
Judy Loftin
Joy Gail Morris
Charles Myers
Larry Nance



Mary Ella Newby
Bobby Owens
Owen Pickett
Clayton Ridge
Austin Russell



Charity Ann Russell
Gladys Seabolt
Buddy Sexton
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Doris Smith



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Gilbert Snider
Margaret Snider
Ralph Snider
Carolyn Surratt



Beauford Taylor
Nancy Taylor
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Kenneth Williams
Nancy Wright



Denie Bell Workman
Blenda Yates
Mrs. Rena B. Snider
Miss Dora Huss



Mrs. Helen Loftin
(Not Pictured)



Seventh Grade ME

Sixth Grade





Fifth Grade

Fourth Grade





Third Grade

Second Grade





First Grade



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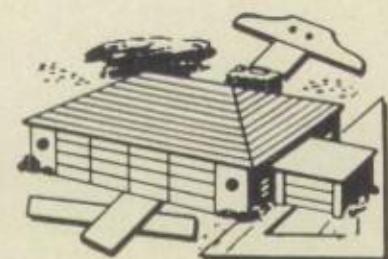
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I Rex, I have enjoyed teaching
you this year! You have
been a very nice boy. I
wish you lots of happiness
in the future.
Mrs. Galleimore

To Jerry Pierce
The best
of luck
from

Jimmie
Crawford

To a fine nephew
may your pathway
in life be strewn
with roses & success
be with you all the way
always remember our
trip to Florida & what a
good time we had
your aunt Grace

Dixie You dirty little You
Dixie You little pig

Bobby
Pierce.

Larry - I haven't much to
say except that I
hope that you'll graduate at
the same time come fall
when we start real hard
studying and work

your a very smart boy I
know, but study hard so
your brain will grow.

Sincerely
Sue Lanier

april 6. 1956.

Larry:
another year has passed and here
I am writing in your year book
I still wish you much success
in anything you do- large or small.
May you have lots of friends
during your school days, and
after they are through, too. Try
your best and the best will
come back to you.

Remember: A friend in need is
Good Luck! a friend indeed.
Always. your mother.

